

Leader Sees '3rd Board' To Involve Laymen

GLORIETA, N. M. (BP) — The church's greatest need today is to reform its forces and equip and motivate its troops to battle, a Southern Baptist lay leader told a home missions oriented group here.

Glendon McCullough, executive director of the Brotherhood Commission, suggested a plan involving lay

ministers and the possible formation of a "third mission board" for getting the work done.

Keynoting the Home Missions Conference at Glorieta Baptist Conference Center, McCullough used Jesus as his example in identifying the proper role of pastors today.

Jesus didn't try to go throughout the world personally to present the gospel, but concentrated on training and feeding the sheep whom he sent out to lead other sheep into the fold, McCullough said.

The Baptist leader, who recruited home missionaries for 12 years before joining the Commission almost two years ago, encouraged Southern Baptist pastors to share their work "among the twentieth century apostles that the world will know every Christian cares with the heart of his Master."

Identifying himself as part of a benevolent, concerned, caring bureaucracy, McCullough described his job as slashing a path of concern through the tangled jungle of man's need so

a lay person can get to work.

"The lay minister must do what no hired apostle can do: provide the human validation, that telling touch that is the church's reach beyond its bureaucracy."

McCullough called the recent record of lay minister involvement the great omission of the modern church.

"In all too many instances, we have permitted the layman to get a warped view of the real purpose of God's church."

The rod used to measure the work of the church is not what can be seen (Continued on page 2)

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World Growth Up 10.7% From 1968-'73

Baptists Total 32,804,398

WASHINGTON, D. C. (BP) — The world population of Baptist church members grew 10.7 per cent, a total of 3,176,954 additions between 1968 and 1973, according to a statistical review made at Baptist World Alliance headquarters here.

Five years ago, the number of baptized, communicant members was listed at 29,627,444. At the start of this year, the membership figure was 32,804,398.

North America has led the growth, up 2,900,092 since 1968 to 29,013,168.

Europe alone declined in Baptist membership, dropping 16,218 in five years, down to 1,141,214.

The seven nations where Baptists number more than 200,000 are the same now as five years ago, but ranking within the group has changed.

The USA remains in first place with 28,674,903 Baptists. India has forged upwards from third place to second because of a five-year growth from 545,000 to 731,661.

The Soviet Union dropped to third place in Baptist population, losing 10,000 members since 1968, dropping to 535,000 members.

Growth in Brazil (283,860 to 400,800) and in Burma (222,984 to 275,008) in the five years moved them past the United Kingdom which declined in Baptist membership from 283,860 to 261,108.

Zaire likewise lost from 228,059 to 225,100 and dropped from sixth to seventh place during the same period.

More than 20 nations and dependencies are on the 1973 list which were not on the 1968 list, often the result of missionary activity sponsored by bodies related to the Baptist World Alliance.

These may not all represent the "infinite" growth, which the mathematics indicate, said Carl W. Tiller, staff member who compiled the recent statistics. They may only in-

dicating an omission, in error, from the earlier data.

The country in this group having the largest numbers is Chad, with 15,000, an area served by a mission without BWA affiliation, Tiller said.

The most spectacular growth of Baptists in places which are on both the 1968 and 1973 lists occurred in: Uganda, from 120 to 8,337; Rwanda, from 2,389 to 17,515; Costa Rica, from 947 to 4,698; Indonesia, from 4,886

to 24,041; Malawi, from 3,263 to 14,818; Ethiopia, from 140 to 942.

A large change was also recorded for the Dominican Republic, but is accounted for by the earlier erroneous omission of a church of the Haitian Baptists on the Dominican side of the border.

Highlights of the survey by continent are:

North America: the largest increase 1968 - 73 was in the United States, 2,568,904.

Europe: major increases were in Sweden, 15,272, and Romania, 10,000. There were also increases in Southern Europe. Large decreases are

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Southern Baptist Gifts Continue Gain

NASHVILLE (BP) — Gifts to world missions through the Cooperative Program unified budget of the Southern Baptist Convention continued to move upward through July, increasing by \$1.7 million over the same period last year.

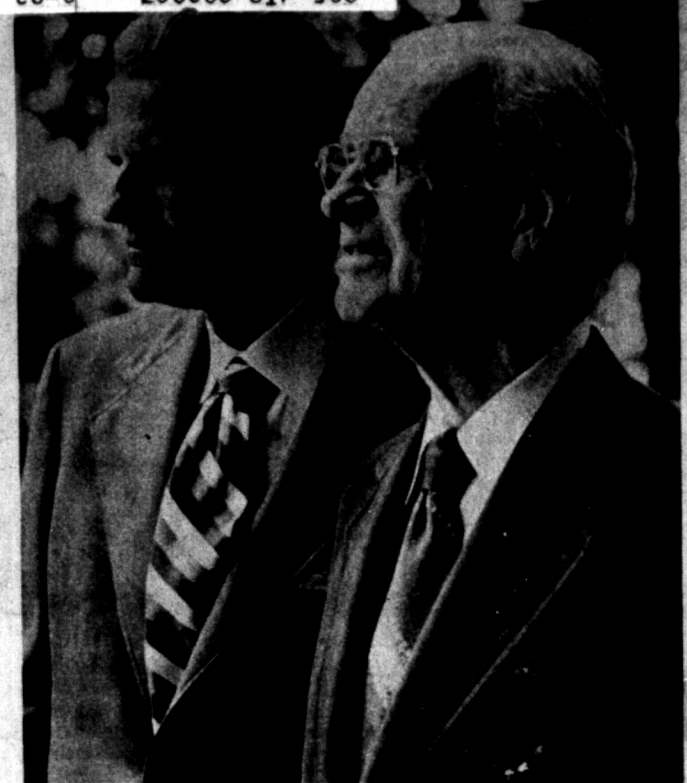
With two months remaining in the denomination's fiscal year, SBC officials here are optimistic about reaching the 1972-73 budget goal of \$33,087,882. A 6.09 per cent increase in contributions would be required, they said.

Gifts of Baptist church members through the SBC Cooperative Program through July totaled \$28,069,069.77, an increase of 6.5 per cent over the same period last year. This is an increase of \$1,712,714.74.

John H. Williams, SBC finance planning director, pointed out that the totals for July did not include checks from the Baptist state conventions in Illinois, Florida, Utah - Idaho, and West Virginia. Their checks arrived too late to be counted in the July totals.

Williams expressed confidence in (Continued on page 2)

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Dr. Bell (Right) With Son-In-Law —RNS Photo.

Billy Graham On Dr. Bell: 'He Lived Several Lifetimes'

MONTREAT, N.C. (RNS) — Evangelist Billy Graham said here that Dr. L. Nelson Bell, who died Aug. 2 at the age of 79, was "not only my father-in-law, he was my pastor."

In his personal reminiscence of Dr. Bell, who died in his sleep hours after addressing a missions conference of the Pres-

byterian Church in the U. S. (Southern), Mr. Graham described him as "the most consistent Christian man I have ever known."

Dr. Bell, the evangelist recalled, "was the one that I went to for counsel and advice on almost any major decisions I ever

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Home Board Sets \$17 Million For USA Missions

Crime Rate In U. S. Dropped 2% In 1972

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS) — A 2% decline in the nation's total of serious crimes occurred last year — the first actual decrease in 17 years — according to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reports for 1972.

Serious crime is divided into two categories in the reports—violent (murder, forcible rape, robbery and aggravated assault) and property (burglary, larceny —\$50 and over, and auto theft). Violent crimes went up 2% in 1972, but property crimes, which

were more numerous, decreased 2%.

According to the reports, which were released here by FBI Director Clarence M. Kelley, 94 major cities reported decreases in serious crimes last year, compared with 54 in 1971 and 22 in 1970.

There was an 8% decrease of serious crime in large core cities with more than 250,000 residents in 1972, compared with increases of 2% in 1971 and 6% in 1970.

Although suburban and rural areas reported increases in se-

rious crime during the past year, the rate was lower than in 1971. The increase in suburban areas was 2% (11% in 1971), while that in rural areas was 4% (6% in 1971).

Category breakdowns showed increases of 11% in forcible rape, 7% in aggravated assault, and 5% in murder. Decreases of 6% in auto theft, 3% in robbery, 2% in larceny, \$50 and over, and 1% in burglary were reported. (There were increases in all the property categories in 1971.)

More than \$2 billion worth of (Continued on page 2)

GLORIETA, N. M. (BP) — Southern Baptists, through their Home Mission Board, will spend \$17,172,754 in 1974 for national missions, an increase of more than \$1 million over 1973.

The budget, adopted by the agency's directors during their summer session at the Glorieta Baptist Conference Center here will support a mission force of more than 2,200 working in every state, Panama, and Puerto Rico.

Executive Secretary Arthur B. Rutledge said the increased budget will allow the agency to keep its personnel at the same level despite inflation and also make possible some strengthening of its major programs.

He said some of the added funds will open new work in church extension, will meet some special mission needs and strengthen evangelism efforts, such as the denomination's new

attempt at evangelism on national television, "Spring Street, U.S.A."

Major budget expenditures will go for language missions — \$3.1 million; church extension — \$2 million; social ministries — \$1.5 million; cooperative ministries with National Baptists — \$5 million; church loans — \$1.9 million; associational services — \$1.3 million; chaplaincy — \$234,955; and interfaith witness — \$449,677.

Rutledge said that the agency is also making special efforts to use volunteers requiring little or no funding.

"The laymen have become a key force within the three major emphases of the board. Evangelism has activated a force of more than 125,000 lay evangelists through the lay evangelism schools. Christian social ministries depend 90 per cent on volunteers for their work, and church extension enlists the lay person to lead in Bible fellowships," he added.

Such volunteers multiply Baptist mission efforts, he said, adding that the agency also places more than 1,000 student volunteers on the mission fields of the nation for 10 weeks each summer.

The balance of the \$17 million budget is provided by investments, special gifts, church loans, insurance premiums and materials that are sold.

The Board added a research consultant for planning national missions strategy and reassigned another staff (Continued on page 3)

Brotherhood Withdraws Its Request For Subsidiary Corporation

MEMPHIS (BP) — The Southern Baptist Brotherhood Commission here has withdrawn its request for permission to create a subsidiary corporation to coordinate its lay renewal and lay ministries programs, and to publish a mass circulation newspaper.

Instead, the agency has authorized employment of a full-time department head to direct the commission's lay ministries department, and has beefed up its existing publication, The Baptist Men's Journal.

The proposal, submitted last September to the Southern Baptist Convention Executive Committee, called for taking over publication of a Lay Ministries Inc. tabloid format newspaper Mission Action News, as well as for Brotherhood Commission sponsorship of lay renewal ministries.

James E. Johnson, a computer ex-

pert from Arlington, Tex., who heads Lay Ministries, Inc., was employed on a part-time basis as director of the Brotherhood Commission Lay Ministries Department.

Editorials in several Baptist state papers opposed creation of the subsidiary corporation and the takeover of Mission Action News. Last Febru-

ary the commission asked the Executive Committee to hold the proposal in abeyance, until an advisory committee made an in-depth study of the plan.

The advisory committee, and the commission's executive committee, recommended that the commission drop the proposal, or that someone else be employed if Johnson would not accept the position full-time.

Glendon McCullough, executive director of the Brotherhood Commission, said that the work of the department has expanded at such a fast pace during the past year that the advisory committee felt a full-time director is needed.

Johnson, however, declined to accept the position full-time. He said that Lay Ministries, Inc., would continue independently as sponsor of lay witness mission programs, and as publisher of Mission Action News.

Johnson will continue on a part-time basis as head of the commission's lay ministries department until October 1, and serve after that on a consultant basis. "In my role as a consultant to the commission and other SBC agencies, I expect to be a part of an ever-expanding functioning lay ministry," Johnson said.

McCullough commented that he had no regrets about the approach the commission had made. "It was the only option we had at the time. It has opened some doors and raised some questions that we had to find answers to that have really been helpful to us."

McCullough praised Johnson's leadership in getting the lay renewal program of the Brotherhood Commission off the ground and running, and in helping the commission revise a computerized listing of Baptist laymen and their talents which would be matched with needs in disaster relief projects.

Church Training Conferences Set

Planning workshops for pastors and Church Training directors will be conducted in every association in the state during September and October, according to Kermit S. King, director of the Mississippi Church Training Department.

These Pastor - Director Conferences scheduled by associational leaders with the Mississippi Church Training Department providing the conference leadership will assist pastors and church training director in planning a more effective program of church training for the year.

Outstanding leaders from neighboring states along with some of the fine educational workers in Mississippi churches are joining the Mississippi Department staff as conference leaders.

One primary purpose for the conferences will be to interpret the Mississippi adaptation of "Church: The Sunday Night Place." Some churches will have used this promotion for Church Training in the fall of this year but the Mississippi adaptation contains a special promotion for at-

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Cooper Honored For Support Of Pastors

PORTLAND, ORE. — Southern Baptist Convention President Owen Cooper (right) receives from John Ishee, editor of "Proclaim" magazine, a plaque recognizing Cooper's support of Southern Baptist pastors. The plaque was presented to Cooper at the SBC Pastor's Conference.

AMERICAN TEAM GROUPS TO SEEK NOAH'S ARK ON MOUNT ARARAT

BEND, Ore. (EP) — A team of seven American men have left for Turkey to take up again the search for Noah's Ark on Mount Ararat.

The group is led by John Morris of San Diego, who last year led a similar expedition. Although the first one failed to find the ark, it allegedly accomplished a number of other things.

Morris, field scientist for the Institute for Creation Research, called the team together in June to practice mountain climbing on Mount Rainier in Washington.

According to Morris' 1972 diary, "Adventure on Ararat," the first climb ruled out all but a few areas of Ararat where the ark might rest and brought back photographs never before taken. He said pieces of hand-worked timber lodged in the glacier, 13,000 feet above sea level, have been brought back and after tests have been proven to be the approximate age of the ark.

WMU Leadership Conferences To Be Conducted Aug. 20-25

WMU Camp will be held at Camp Garaywa next week, each day Monday through Saturday. In addition, there will be a Thursday night session.

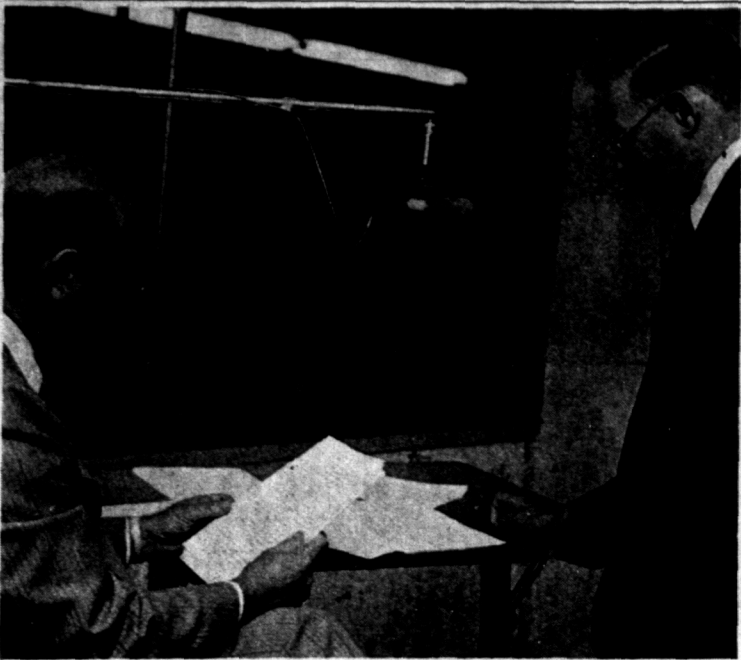
Opportunities for training will be available to all leaders of WMU — Baptist Young Women, Baptist Young Women, Acteens, Girls in Action, and Mission Friends. Evelyn Tully, a special conference for Baptist Women members will also be offered.

The Saturday session is a new feature of WMU Camp this year. The same schedule will be followed that day as the other days in the week. Each morning the program will begin at 9:45 a.m. and it will conclude at 2:45 p.m.

An abbreviated session will be held on Thursday night. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. and will conclude at 9 p.m.

Conferences will be led at each session by the following women:

Mission Friends Leaders, Mrs. Joe (Continued on page 2)



January Bible Study Tape Available

NASHVILLE — A. Stuart Arnold (right), consultant in extension activities, and Ralph Murray, editor of January Bible Study products, both of the Sunday School department of the Sunday School Board, record a tape of conversation designed to present practical helps for the teacher of Colossians, the Bible book for 1974 January Bible Study. The 60-minute cassette tape includes discussion of main themes of the Scripture segments for each of ten teaching sessions, a review of the teaching procedures presented in January Bible Study resources and administrative suggestions for January Bible Study. The tape, along with a 32-page set of expository notes prepared by Arnold and a 4-frame map filmstrip clip are available as the "Colossians Teaching Resource Kit" at the Baptist Book Stores for \$6.00.

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the churches surpassing the \$31,826,184 operating budget for the 19 SBC national agencies, and reaching most, possibly all, of the \$1,261,068 capital needs goal, if current trends continue.

Achieving these goals would leave \$262,500 remaining on a five-year \$5 million capital needs program launched by the denomination in 1969. That amount will be a part of the 1973-74 SBC budget, Williams said.

In addition to the \$28 million in Cooperative Program budget contributions, Southern Baptists likewise gave an equal amount, \$28.2 million, to designated specific mission causes, mostly USA and overseas missions, during the first ten months of the fiscal year.

Designated giving for the period was up \$2,938,162.52 or 11.62 per cent

over the same period of the previous budget year, the report indicated.

Combined world missions contributions, including both designations and gifts through the Cooperative Program for the ten-month period totaled \$56,288,855.64, up \$4,637,978.38 or 9.01 per cent over the previous year through July.

For the month of July alone, Cooperative Program contributions were down slightly from July, 1972. Gifts totaled \$2,689,627.89, down \$35,641.80 or 1.31 per cent from July of last year.

July designations, however, were up 23.79 per cent over the same month the previous year, an increase of \$126,733.18 and bringing the 31-day total to \$669,404.93.

Designations and Cooperative Program gifts in July were up 2.8 per cent of \$91,091.38 to a total of \$3,349,032.82.

Pastor Presents \$1,000 To Hospital

Rev. Edward C. Farr, pastor of Bogue Church north of Leland, in Washington county, has given \$1,000 to Mississippi Baptist Hospital.

"I want to see my money go for a worthy cause while I'm still alive," says Mr. Farr, who retired on the last day of 1968 but couldn't stay retired.

He was ordained at a night-watch service on December 31, 1926, and he retired at a night-watch service on December 31, 1968, to make his career exactly 42 years — to the hour.

But he went back to work at Bogue Church, just in time to see water rise over 18 feet to lap at his doorstep during the recent floods — and Bogue, he says, means "little" river!

Mr. Farr has traveled extensively — to Europe in 1969, to the Holy Lands in 1970 and 1971, and to South America in 1972 for a Layman's Conference in Colombia.

He graduated from Meridian High School and from Clarke Memorial College, and he has a B. A. degree from Mississippi College and a Bachelor of Theology from the seminary in New Orleans.

He was licensed to preach in 1924, and was the second associational minister for Mississippi from the old Deer Creek Association, embracing Washington, Humphreys, Sharkey and Issaquena counties.

He has organized and assisted in the organization of more than twelve churches.

He taught school for 21 years in Kemper, Lauderdale and Washington counties, and retired from teaching



Rev. Edward (Eddie) C. Farr, left, is shown presenting his check for \$1,000 to Earl Eddins, Assistant Administrator of Mississippi Baptist Hospital. The architect's drawing of the new Baptist Hospital appears in the background.

on May 31 this year at O'Bannon High School in Washington county.

A widower for the past 14 years, Mr. Farr loves to recall incidences of his travels and remembers an incident in Buenos Aires, Argentina.

He and a friend had collaborated to preach a sermon, line by line, first in Spanish and then in English, on a text from St. Matthew about gates both wide and narrow.

He "got carried away," as he puts it, and delivered the entire sermon in English to the throngs of Spanish-speaking people — who were "overwhelmed" by his enthusiasm, even though they could not understand the language in which he spoke.

Billy Graham On Dr. Bell: "He Lived Several Lifetimes"

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made. There flowed in and out of his home political leaders, theologians, churchmen and ordinary people seeking his advice and counsel."

Describing the former medical missionary as "one of the most selfless men I have ever known," Mr. Graham noted that "even though he retired from medical service a number of years ago he still was the 'doctor' to hundreds of people in these mountains of western North Carolina."

Among Dr. Bell's contributions to the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association, his son-in-law pointed out, were the development of a strong board of directors and the methods of church

cooperation that are used in the crusades.

"He handled hundreds and thousands of letters dealing with spiritual problems and all kinds of problems for me each year," Mr. Graham related. "He could turn out an amazing amount of work."

Touching on some of the major aspects of Dr. Bell's life, the evangelist commented, "He actually lived several lifetimes: one as a baseball player, one as a surgeon, another as an editor, and another as a church leader. He was moderator of his beloved denomination. He lived long enough to see his son (the Rev. B. Clayton Bell) become the pastor of one of the largest Presbyterian churches in America

(Highland Park Presbyterian church in Dallas).

But more than that, Mr. Graham added, "to those of us who know him best he was a man who walked with God."

The evangelist recalled that Dr. Bell "had an amazing sense of humor. He was always filled with little stories to make people laugh." In addition, Mr. Graham said, he was "an excellent singer and pianist" and "a clever after-dinner speaker."

In recalling his father-in-law's popularity among young people, Mr. Graham noted, "Just last week the son of the pastor here at Montreat was asked why he was with Dr. Bell so much. He said, 'Because I just love being around him.'"

Three Southern Presbyterian clergymen who were close friends of Dr. Bell are scheduled to take part in the memorial service at 3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 5 at Montreat's Anderson Auditorium.

They are the Rev. Henry B. Denny, managing editor of the Presbyterian Journal, which he and Dr. Bell helped to found in 1942; the Rev. C. Grier Davis, recently retired president of the Mountain Retreat Association (the PCUS conference grounds, on which Dr. Bell lived) and of Montreat - Anderson College; and the Rev. Calvin Thielman, pastor of Montreat Presbyterian church which Dr. Bell attended.

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and counted, said McCullough, who labeled the effort "a set of warped priorities and twisted aspirations built on material success."

"The scandal of the twentieth century church is its failure to mobilize the lay minister for evangelism in a world so deeply lost." The national lay leader offered a four-step plan for mobilizing the laymen to help reform the church under the leadership of an enabling pastor.

Begin by getting the lay minister involved in an organized short-term ministry project outside his normal environment, possibly outside the immediate community, and help him discover his hidden gifts, McCullough suggested.

Then, using a reinforcing group, help the layman translate this discovery into continuing participation in ministry projects closer to home, he said.

McCullough suggested a coordinat-

ed, church-wide system for making mission assignments and periodic opportunities for the laymen to share their experiences with the larger church fellowship.

McCullough said the "third mission board" he proposed could serve as a coordinating agency in organizing and stimulating participation in home town mission projects.

"It could be a kind of a clearing-house, an idea factory, a development center for a systems approach to mis-

sionary involvement among lay ministers.

"I'm not suggesting a new board. But the Brotherhood and Woman's Missionary Union organizations should fill this gap in a local church through the implementation of an aggressive mission action program."

And when that happens, the reformation of the church could be the most exciting happening of the century, McCullough predicted.

Snedden, West Virginia Executive, Has Heart Attack

CHARLESTON, W. Va. (BP)—John I. Snedden, executive secretary, West Virginia Convention of Southern Baptists, suffered a "massive" heart attack August 1 and is listed in serious condition in the Charleston General Hospital.

Snedden is the first to serve in his post. He was elected executive secretary in October, 1971, after 13 years as an area missionary under the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board.

Broadcasting Leader

Cites Baptist Programs

"If the Southern Baptist Radio and Television Commission didn't exist, the broadcasting industry would have to invent it," declared Vincent T. Wasilewski, of Washington, president of the prestigious National Association of Broadcasters.

Wasilewski, speaking for his organization, was citing the professionalism of the Baptist agency whose variety of Bible-centered religious programs have enabled it to serve, unofficially, as the "religion department" of numerous radio and television stations across the country.

Caldwell Joins Sunday School Board

NASHVILLE (BP)—William Gerald Caldwell has joined the church training department of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board as an adult consultant. Caldwell came to the Sunday School Board from Graceville, Fla., where he has served the last four years as a professor at the Baptist Bible Institute.

Draper Named Dallas, First Church Associate

DALLAS (BP)—James T. Draper Jr., pastor of First Southern Baptist Church, Del City, Okla., has resigned to become associate pastor and staff director for the 18,000-member First Baptist Church here.

Draper, 38, has been pastor of the 6,500-member Del City church since March 1970. During his tenure there Sunday School attendance increased from 1,285 to 2,200, Christian training attendance from 500 to 1,000 and budget receipts from \$320,000 to \$650,000.

He begins his new duties with pastor W. A. Criswell on September 9.



Mrs. McGee



Mrs. Fancher



Mrs. Barber



Mrs. May



Mrs. Smith



Miss Patterson

WMU Leadership Conferences To Be Conducted

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Barber, Jr., GA Leaders, Waudine Storey and Mrs. Jewell H. Smith; Acteens Leaders, Marilyn Hopkins and Evelyn Tully; Baptist Young Women Leaders and Members, Frances Shaw; Baptist Women presidents, Ethel McKeithen and Mrs. Robert S. Smira; Study chairmen, Mrs. Tim Taylor; Support Chairmen and Prayer

er Group Leaders, Mrs. James Fancher; Action Chairmen and Action Group Leaders, Mrs. B. B. McGee; Study Group Leaders, Mrs. Robert Calvert; Members, Mrs. Vernon May; WMU Leaders, Marjean Patterson and Mrs. Ray Grillo.

The daily schedule is as follows: 9:45, General Session; 10-12, Divided Conferences; 12-12:45, Lunch; 12:45-1:45, Divided Conferences; 1:45-2:45,

General Session, including promotional emphases and missionary prayer experience by Mrs. Art Compere, Missionary to Nigeria.

Cost for the day is \$2.00. This includes \$1.25 for lunch and 75c registration fee. All Superintendents of Missions and church staff members are invited to come be the guests of the WMU for one of these days during WMU Camp.

Groundbreaking Set For MC August 16

Groundbreaking ceremonies are scheduled at Mississippi College Thursday, Aug. 16, for a \$750,000 addition to the Leland Speed Library.

The ceremonies are set to begin at 10 a.m. on the construction site with college officials, members of the Board of Trustees, Baptist dignitaries and other special guests scheduled to be present.

The breaking of ground for the addition marks the culmination of many months of research and planning that is necessary for such a facility and signals the start of new academic opportunities for students and faculty.

Bids for the building were taken last month and the general contractor for the job will be Frazier Construction

Company, also of Jackson, received the low bid out of seven bidders.

The mechanical contract was awarded to Walsh Plumbing Company of Jackson, while Tadlock Electric Company also of Jackson, received the electrical contract.

Officials of these three firms will also be present for the groundbreaking.

The three-story addition will approximately double the size of the existing library and will provide space for a Learning Resources Center, a relatively new concept in educational circles. The Center will allow students to enter one of approximately 100 private carrels and listen to a lecture or educational program through the use of the latest and most modern electronic equipment.

Included in the Center will be a production unit for movies and video tapes and a library of films and tapes of all kinds. The center will be a 40-station language and listening lab.

The addition to the library is the

first phase of a construction program that is being made possible through the \$3 million Commitment Campaign.

Bulletin

Dr. Earl O. Harding, 61, Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Missouri Baptist Convention since 1954, died in a hospital in Jefferson City, Mo., on Sunday morning, August 12 at 9:30 a.m., after suffering a heart attack a few hours earlier.

The heart attack which took his life was the third severe one that he had experienced, the second having been only a few weeks ago.

Funeral services were scheduled for the First Baptist Church, Jefferson City, on Wednesday, August 15, at 10:30 a.m., with a second service at the First Baptist Church, Warrensburg, Mo., at 3:00 p.m. the same day. Interment was to be in Warrensburg. A full story will be published in next week's Record.

Crime Rate In U. S. Dropped Two Per Cent In 1972

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property was stolen last year in 374,560 robberies, 2,345,000 burglaries, 4,101,900 larcenies, and 881,000 auto thefts. These losses were reduced by 38% due to police recoveries, the FBI reports indicated.

There was a 7% increase in arrests for narcotic drug law violations during 1972, compared with a 1971 increase of 11%.

A summary of 228,032 offenders in the Computerized Criminal History file, including persons arrested in the period 1970-72, indicated that 65% had been arrested two or more times. The largest repeat rate was in the category of offenders under 20, which averaged an arrest every three months.

The ratio of police employees per 1,000 inhabitants was 2.4 last year, unchanged from 1971.

There were 112 law enforcement officers killed due to crim-

inal action in 1972, down from 126 in 1971. This was the first numerical decrease since 1968, when the total was 64.

Albuquerque, N. M. had the highest crime rate per 100,000 inhabitants of any major metropolitan area in 1972 at 5,910. Miami, which had been the highest for the previous two years, reported a 9.9% decrease last year, to 5,141 per 100,000.

Stamford, Conn., reported the greatest percentage decrease last year, down 27.6%. The total rate for the Bridgeport-Danbury-Norwalk-Stamford area was 2,964 per 100,000.

Crime continued to decline in the Washington area — down 26.9% in 1972 to a total of 3,480 per 100,000. The FBI defines the Washington area as the District of Columbia, Montgomery and Prince Georges counties in Maryland, and the cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church

and the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, and Prince William in Virginia.

"Crime in Jackson and Mississippi was typical last year," according to a statement in the Jackson Clarion-Ledger, as gleaned from the same FBI reports.

The Ledger story continues as follows, in condensed form:

The report shows that overall series crime rate was lowest in the South — as opposed to the Northeast, North Central, and Western regions — but highest in the areas of murders and aggravated assaults.

In the Jackson area, meanwhile, the overall violent crime rate was low by state, regional, national, and urban area standards, but the murder rate was high by comparison to the state, regional, and national statistics. For purposes of the FBI study,

"Jackson" includes the 269,000 persons within the city proper and in neighboring Hinds and Rankin Counties.)

The serious crime rates per 100,000 inhabitants of Mississippi and Jackson, respectively, were total, 1,320.1 and 2,287.7; violent crimes, 312.7 and 227.9; property crimes, 1,007.4 and 2,059.8; murder, 14.4 and 17.9; forcible rape and attempts to rape, 17.3 and 10.4; robbery, 39.9 and 70.0; aggravated assault, 240.0 and 129.6; burglary, 540.0 and 968.1; larceny of over \$50, 346.8 and 763.3; and auto theft, 120.5 and 328.4.

As in other areas, the greatest amount of crime in Mississippi occurred in areas with the greatest concentrations of residents. The fact that Mississippi is largely rural kept the state's overall rate low except for murders and aggravated assaults.

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shown for the United Kingdom, the Soviet Union, and Hungary. Decreases also took place in many countries in the northern part of the continent.

Africa: thirty-four of 39 countries showed increases during the five-year period. The largest increase was in Nigeria, 37,485. In 14 of the nations and one dependency, the number of Baptists more than doubled.

Asia: large increases in India and Burma offset a decrease caused by dropping mainland China, earlier estimated at 123,000. It has been omitted in 1973 on the premise that the churches there, if still existing, are underground, and no reliable data are therefore available. South Korea, Singapore, and South Vietnam more than doubled their Baptist population.

Middle America: the largest increase was in the Bahamas, 22,345, a nation where the Baptists now outnumber the adherents of all other Christian persuasions. Costa Rica's new figure is more than five times the old. Honduras more than doubled its Baptists. Cuba and Trinidad slipped downward.

Middle East: this geographical grouping, Baptists' smallest, showed a net gain in each of the six nations

listed.

Oceania: all seven jurisdictions having Baptists showed increases over the five-year period, Indonesia and Guam showing the greatest percentage growth. However, there are some island groups without Baptists.

South America: Brazil's spectacular increase of 145,800 led this continent. Every country showed some increase, however. Bolivia, Guyana, and Peru all reported increases of over 100 per cent for the five-year period.

California Editor Resigns To Operate Texas Weekly

FRESNO, Calif. (BP)—Donald T. McGregor, editor of the California Southern Baptist since October, 1971, has announced his resignation from this post effective September 28. McGregor recently purchased the Kemp News at Kemp, Tex., and will move to that area to assume the responsibilities of editor and publisher of the weekly paper.

Prior to becoming editor of the California Southern Baptist, McGregor was Associate Editor of the Baptist Standard, Texas Baptist paper, serving there for 16 years.

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Increased Mobility Makes Major Impact On Churches

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By Sandy Simmons
(Compiled from Home Missions Magazine)

ATLANTA (BP) — "We preach to a parade. In this community, it isn't the pastors who move, it's the people," a Baptist minister in the nation's capital said recently. His statement could have been echoed by many pastors throughout the nation.

Mobility is the new American life-style, "going - going - gone" the new national slogan. Although not new, rapid change is becoming typical of the nation as a whole.

Because so many families have moved and moved again, the phrase "hometown" along with "home church" may fade out of the language.

Few institutions are as likely to be affected by American society's new mobility as the church, an organization which has traditionally depended on stability.

Already some churches, reports Home Missions Magazine in its July-August issue, are experiencing leadership problems. Interest in formerly successful programs is lagging, and contributions are dropping in some places.

Church Training--

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tendance at the evening church service.

This will be the planning session for a year of emphasis on Church Membership Development, the third of a five year program adopted by the Mississippi Baptist Convention under the leadership of Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, executive secretary - treasurer.

Additional features of this year of special emphasis will include a special approach to Doctrinal Emphasis Week; a projected series of pastor dialogues planned during January; the presentation of a series of special awards for churches and associations for this year only; and a special emphasis on procedures designed to produce growth in the Church Training program.

In the August 30 issues of the Baptist Record there will be a complete listing of the associations of the state with the dates and meeting places for these conferences.

In some areas, newcomers into a community find the church a "closed corporation," operated by long-time members who unintentionally fail to absorb new members into the body.

In other areas, people new to the church are thrust by necessity into positions of responsibility.

Past movements have usually been laborers, or losers looking for a second chance, or young people fresh out of school in search of that first job.

Today the movers are more often people who would be community leaders, if they stayed long enough. But they move every few years — most of the time not by choice. They are college - educated, professional people, and moving is part of their job.

In his best selling book, *Future Shock*, Alvin Toffler said, "Census figures show one in five Americans moves every year. Actual mobility is higher because the census doesn't take into account those who move more than once a year. In major residential switchboards, the disconnect rate for telephones has risen to more than 25 per cent. Phone company officials say disconnects nearly always mean moves."

The mobility which changed a regionally-oriented Southern Baptist Convention into a national body now threatens to disrupt its churches with a new era of increasing instability and decreasing loyalties.

When people have no ties to "home," sociologists say, it creates an atmosphere of internal chaos, with a loosening of value systems and of a subsequent relaxation of moral codes. Home and family take on less significance.

Some churchmen argue that now the home church like the hometown is becoming unknown. Loyalties to the church — and to its fellowship — are blurred, often even lost, by repeated moves.

People on the move seem reluctant to put down roots, in both civic and religious work in the community. One airline executive says he avoids involvement in the community life, because "in a few years I won't be living here."

Those who do get involved — giving, teaching or just attending — can no longer be counted on in the traditional sense.

B. Ross Morrison, for 23 years pastor of First Baptist Church, Wheaton, Md., a bedroom community of Washington, N. C., said, "The typical family in the 1950's and 1960's was a higher giving family than now. When we lose one of these older families, it takes two, three, even four families to replace their financial contribution to the church."

Jack Lowndes, who came to Memorial Baptist Church, Arlington, Va., after nine years in Brunswick, Ga., said that in the last four years in Brunswick, the church's membership turned over by one-third.

"This sort of change is destroying some traditional Baptist attitudes,"

Hodges Named Editor Charity And Children

THOMASVILLE, N. C. (BP) — Charles F. Hodges, associate director of development for the Baptists Children's Homes of North Carolina, Inc., has been named editor of the agency's bi-monthly publication, *Charity and Children*, effective August 27.

Air Force General Joins Stetson University Staff

DELAND, Fla. (BP) — A. J. Bowley, recently retired United States Air Force major general, has been named director of deferred gifts at Stetson University, according to John E. Johns, president of the Baptist institution.

Bowley, a graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point, was a bomber pilot during World War II with service in Europe.

he said. "You can't wait as long for someone to prove himself. You have to use him rapidly, or he'll be gone."

When he was called to the Arlington pastorate, Lowndes said, the chairman of the board of deacons was a rear admiral. "We talked about programs and plans, but before I moved to Arlington, he had been transferred to the Mediterranean. That's how fast things can happen."

That kind of situation has changed some churches' viewpoints toward requirements for deacons and other leadership roles.

Charles Conley, pastor of the First Southern Baptist Church, East Hartford, Conn., says his members stay an average of two to three years. "We have five deacons and within a few months, three of them moved. That leaves you awfully short-handed."

To deal with the rapid turnover the church now requires a person to be a member only six months before he can be nominated as a deacon.

While a pastor may stay longer than his members, he still faces the emotional drain of seeking new leaders. "You just get them trained and then they move," is a common complaint.

Roy Hinchey of the Georgia Baptist Convention says pastors must approach this situation with an attitude of "here's a challenge; we'll train these people the best we can; if they move away, then they'll just be working somewhere else."

Which would work fine, if new members would fill the shoes of those who left. But not everybody quickly joins a church in his new town.

"We have increasing problems with people who leave one church, but do not affiliate with another church when they arrive at another location," said Warren Rust, who directs the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board's metropolitan association mission work. "It seems largely the church's fault."

"The church has demanded insti-

tutional loyalty to 'this congregation,' rather than the larger kingdom of God," Rust said. "Our people haven't been sensitized to the realization, 'I am a Christian wherever I am.'"

Rust said we have active church members in Alabama or Georgia,

who move north, "and the don't see any reason to become involved in a tiny congregation there. It's not like 'home'. They don't understand that they, as Christians, are missionaries, and must involve themselves."

Wendell Belew, director of the mis-



Stamp Honors World Vision International

MONROVIA, Calif.—The Republic of Korea has issued a commemorative stamp honoring World Vision International for 20 years of child care and other social services. It is the first commemorative stamp issued by Korea in tribute to a foreign voluntary agency. Featured on the 10-won stamp (equivalent to the U.S. 8-cent) is the World Vision Children's Choir with the

words in Korean "20th Anniversary of World Vision in Korea." It also shows the World Vision logo and the year. World Vision currently sponsors 18,500 Korean children through 188 child care homes, babies homes, hospitals, widows homes, vocational training schools and day care centers.—(RNS Photo)

\$17 Million Set For USA Missions

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member to the department of interfaith witness.

Leonard O. Hinton Jr., for 10 years with the research section of the Baptist Sunday School Board in Nashville, was named research consultant in the planning and coordination section of the mission agency effective October 1.

Kate Ellen Gruver, book editor for the past 13 years, accepted a position as a specialist related to the Muslim religion and Arab language work, utilizing skills gained while serving for 12 years as a missionary in Israel.

41 New Appointees Added By HMB

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (BP) — Forty-one new mission workers, who will serve from Hawaii to New York City, were commissioned by the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board for two-year missionary terms through its US-2 program.

The appointees will be serving in goodwill centers, on Indian reservations, in resort areas, on college campuses, and in local church programs.

All college graduates, the young adults join a mission task force of more than 2,200 mission workers serving throughout the United States, Puerto Rico and Panama.

More than one-half of the new US-2ers are former student summer time during college in Baptist Student Unions and summer Christian recreation camps.

Drinking By Women Nears Epidemic

The National Council on Alcoholism, which 20 years ago estimated there was one female alcoholic for every six victims, now reports that ratio has changed drastically. Today, a member of the Council says he believes there are as many women alcoholics as men because so many are hidden drinkers and very adept at keeping their drinking secret.

Jean Vandervoort, executive director of the Pasadena California Council on Alcoholism, claims alcoholism has reached epidemic proportions and describes women alcoholics. "They live in pretty houses and wear pretty clothes," she says, and "they won't admit they are alcoholics." Dr. Laurence Senseman, medical director of the mental health unit at Glendale Adventist Hospital, says, "Nobody really knows how many women are secret drinkers, but the number of women alcoholics is fast approaching a one-to-one ratio with men." Dr. Senseman says that the woman alcoholic will excuse her drinking as the result of marital problems, troubles, loneliness, boredom and depression; she has tried to solve these feelings by drinking, only to find she has created a more serious problem — alcoholism. Dr. Senseman described the typical hidden alcoholic as in her mid-40's, married and with an average of two children, in the middle to upper income group and having a better than average intelligence.—Los Angeles Times, Feb. 18, 1973.

Many of the US-2 participants use the two-year mission service as a transition period, which sometimes leads to career missions, seminary or other graduate studies.

1,016 Students Work In Summer Missions

ATLANTA (BP) — The annual summer mission program of the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board

drew 1,016 students to mission points throughout the United States, Panama and Puerto Rico this summer.

The record high resulted from an increased number of summer missionaries assigned through Baptist Student Unions, according to Emery Smith, associate secretary in the Department of Special Mission Ministries.

"We had 608 board supported summer missionaries, down from 629 in 1972 and more than 100 below the peak years of 1969 - 1970," Smith said.

"We are sending out fewer students because transportation and other costs have gone up, while budget allotments have not kept pace proportionately with the increases."

Smith said one of the greatest strengths of mission work this summer came in resort ministries.

One newly-wed couple, Bill and Lois Gambrell of Kentucky, spent their "honeymoon" on Hunting Island, Frogmore, S. C.

The Gambrells conducted a 30-minute service every Sunday morning. They also had a children's hour four afternoons a week and organized a children's choir.

A nursing graduate, Lois made herself available for first aid for campers. She bandaged cuts, treated twisted ankles, headaches, toothaches and helped boys who had been fished by catfish.

"After I offered my nursing services, and tried to show them I cared, I invited them to become part of our Christian activities, and explained what we are trying to do," Mrs. Gambrell said.

Spell To Be Speaker For MC Commencement

The 244 candidates for degrees in the summer commencement exercises of Mississippi College scheduled in Jackson will be addressed by Dr. Howard E. Spell of Clinton, retired administrator and faculty member of the college.

Dr. Spell will deliver the commencement address during ceremonies in the City Auditorium on Friday, August 17 at 4 p.m.

Recognized as one of the most diversified men ever to serve on the faculty at the college, Dr. Spell will be speaking to a class that has 98 candidates for the bachelor's degree and 146 candidates for the master's degree.

Diplomas will be granted by Dr. Lewis Nobles, president of the college, assisted by Dr. Charles E. Martin, vice-president for academic affairs, and Dr. Woodrow W. Clark, acting dean of the graduate school.

Appearing on the program with Dr.

Spell will be the Rev. James Hurt, pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church in Cleveland, who will give the invocation, and Rev. Fred Robertson, pastor of the Parkway Baptist Church in Natchez, who will deliver the benediction. Both pastors are fathers of graduates.

Although delivering the commencement address will be somewhat different for Dr. Spell, he is no stranger to graduation exercises. In fact, he perhaps will have had more experience in such events than any man in attendance at the ceremonies.

He served as academic dean of Mississippi College for 23 years, personally signing over 7,000 diplomas issued by the college.

Dr. Spell first joined the Mississippi College faculty in 1927 as a Spanish instructor, but left five years later to earn the master of theology and doctor of philosophy degrees at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. He holds the bachelor of arts and honorary doctor of divinity degrees from Mississippi College.

No Crisis In French Churches, President Says

Although "it is fashionable to speak of the 'Crisis of the Church,'" our French Baptist churches are not, in all truthfulness, affected by this so-called crisis."

So said Council President Andre Thobois in presenting his annual report to the Congress of the French Baptist Federation.

Thobois, pastor of Paris' Avenue du Maine church, went on to caution that "such a crisis may well come if we try to count on the pure doctrine, spirituality or zeal of our churches."

He asked delegates to keep in mind that churches are fragile and vulnerable. "They have no strength but that which the Lord gives and unceasingly renews for them."

Thobois admitted that while his contacts among the Federation's congregations indicated no crisis, they had given the impression that "here and there our churches and their pastors are touched by a sort of lassitude," and that all were "in need of a renewal of life, of zeal, of consecration, and of a new unction of the Holy Spirit."

The Congress opened with reports from departments formed last year in a far-ranging administration reorganization.

Delegates, overflowing the auditor-

ium of the host church and Federation headquarters at 48, rue de Lille in Paris, heard a message by European Baptist Federation President Claus Meister, and a concert by the Paris Area Youth Chorale at the first evening meeting.

Meister urged them to discover responsibility by leaping from the fast-turning carousel of our era into the waiting arms of God.

"To fall into God's hands may mean a terrible thing, but this is not all of it," he declared. "We must announce that this God into whose hands we have fallen is the Father of us in Jesus because He sees us in Jesus."

Meister pointed out that only this freedom can bring a true sense of responsibility, which must be used by the Christian "as a sign of the freedom God gives."

'Powerline' Is Popular

"Powerline," the 30-minute music show with today's music for today's young people have received such wide acceptance that it is heard on more than 732 stations across the United States. At the close of the 1972 fiscal year, more than 57,157 listeners had written to "Powerline." That's a 600 per cent jump from the 9,168 total responses the previous year.

The concert by the Youth Chorale included numbers in Latin, English and Russian as well as French.

Among resolutions adopted by the Congress was a call for restudy and revision of its own constitution. The study would aim to clarify the status of delegates. It would end the deliberative voice automatically accorded pastors, and would confer on churches and posts the right to select all Congress delegates.—EBPS.

The longest word in the dictionary? It's "pneumonoultramicroscopicsilicovolcanocytosis" and you'll find it on page 886 of Webster's New Collegiate. It's a pneumoconiosis caused by inhalation of very fine silicate or quartz dust. Just don't try to say it, that's all. Its 45' letters long.

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Montana Baptists Visit Mississippi

Several members of the Hamilton Baptist Church in Hamilton, Montana recently visited in Mississippi and are seen in the Baptist Building, from left, seated: Rev. Mannon Wallace, pastor, and Mrs. Wallace. Standing: Mr. and Mrs. Don Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Haws, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bowland.

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Pastor And Staff Need A Raise

John Roberts
in Baptist Courier (S.C.)

It's that time of year again! August means the end of summer is in sight. And in a vast majority of the State's Baptist churches it means the beginning of serious budget study for the next church year. Whether the church year begins Oct. 1 or Jan. 1 (and virtually all churches use one of these dates) the budget and finance committees are under way with meetings to map needs and anticipated receipts for the year ahead.

We have an urgent word for these committees. We give it with equal emphasis to the entire church membership because they will ultimately determine the budget. Be at your prayerful best when you review the pastor's salary. Maintain this attitude in studying all staff salaries. Set the salaries in keeping with the abilities, education, experience, and the performance demanded of the work. Make an effort to compensate these people in keeping with what they would receive in comparable secular employment.

Consider the cost of living. The price of everything is increasing, especially food. Nobody is capable at this point of saying what prices will be in 1974. This looks like an appropriate year for a 10 percent cost of living salary increase. Even that could prove inadequate. A token raise would be no raise at all but a decrease in buying power as prices continue to go up. Have no fear of being encumbered by wage and price freezes. These in no way affect churches (unless they employ more than 60 people, and what church does?)

In reviewing salaries for pastor and church staff, consider performance. More times than not, a merit raise is in order. Christian commitment, dedication to duty, giving more to the job than expected or required and working without concern for the number of hours involved cannot be properly compensated by any amount of money. Neither is verbal appreciation alone adequate without an accompanying financial gesture.

Important at this point is the candid observation that not everybody is entitled to a merit raise. Based on ability and performance, some people in church work as everywhere else are paid more than they are worth. The committee or church member should be careful to let collective sentiment override individual opinion in such matters. And pray for such a staff member. Encourage him. If he needs increased momentum point out his opportunities and responsibilities. But do it only with discretion, tact and Christian love.

Do not make the mistake of thinking that "taking care of" the pastor is a suitable substitute for adequate salary. Many churches, regrettably, have in the past made this mistake. They have kept salaries low while compensating in part for their error by occasional love gifts and special considerations. The best way for a church to express its love is by the consistency of an adequate and dependable salary. This is the only satisfactory way for the pastor to meet his obligations, which come with equal consistency.

Churches must give first concern al-

ways for their mission obligations. This means concern for benevolent ministries at home and support of missionary work in the homeland and around the world. Overly high salaries while neglecting support is wrong. But a church is grievously wrong to neglect the needs of the minister merely to send its support elsewhere.

An increasingly critical economy calls for more than average study of salaries this year. More likely than not the pastor, minister of music, secretary, janitor — every member of the church staff needs a raise, a substantial raise for 1974.

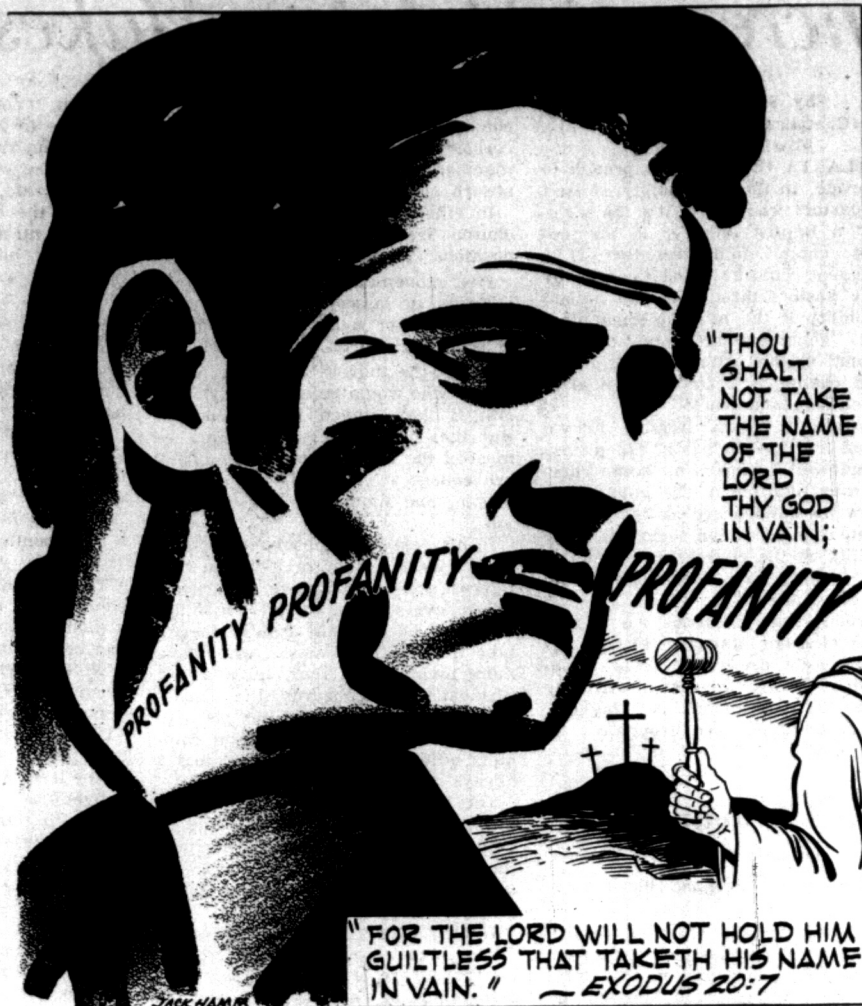
Editor's Added Word:

Car Allowance Too!

While we are talking about salaries, let us also think for a moment about car allowances. Is your church making adequate provision for that?

It has been estimated that the average preacher may drive as much as 15,000 to 20,000 miles per year in his pastoral duties. Studies by government agencies reveal that the cost for owning and driving a car is around 12c per mile. This means that the preacher is spending \$1800 to \$2400 per year to provide a car for his work. Is he having to provide that out of his own, or his wife's salary? He should not have to do that.

Why not, while considering worthy salary raises, also provide car allowances which will enable your staff members to do their very best?



As The Profanity Spew Increases

On The MORAL SCENE...

Protection from Pornography — "To avoid receiving sexually oriented ads, the U. S. Postal Service advises consumers to fill out Form 2201, which is available at the main Post Office of any community and at some branch offices. Any firm mailing sexually oriented ads must obtain the list of those who have filled out these forms, and must delete such persons from their mailing roster, or risk a \$5,000 penalty. Since 1970, some 700,000 people have filled out Form 2201." — (Consumer Reports, August 1973)

Economics and Addiction — "The economics of the drug trade creates winners; everyone from importer to small-time dealer usually manages to at least double his money. What about the losers? They are the heroine addicts and their families, not to mention the society as a whole, which eventually foots the bill for heroine-related crimes and increased law enforcement." (Human Behavior, p. 55, August 1973)

Movies and the Military — A recent study has shown that from 1948 to 1970 the Defense Department provided assistance, financial subsidies and expert advice, for 41% of Hollywood's American war films. The Pentagon's generosity allowed the Pentagon censorship rights over the movies involved and provided a means of promoting favorable portrayals of the American military. — (From "Shooting Wars," pp. 65-68, Human Behavior, August 1973)

Executive Order: Church colleges and hospitals can no longer discriminate on the basis of religion in their hiring practices if they have accepted \$10,000 or more at one time from the Federal Government, according to George Traverse, contract compliance officer of the Department of Labor. President Lyndon Johnson's Executive Order 11246 has been extended to cover church-sponsored institutions. Institutions receiving \$50,000 or more at any time in the past must actively recruit individuals not of their faith to teach or work in their college or hospitals. The executive order contains no exemption for positions that have a bona fide religious requirement. — (Liberty, July-August 1973)

Smoking—A Way to Quit: A new treatment procedure for the control of smoking promises unparalleled effectiveness. Studies show that previous methods to control smoking result in only one or two people out of ten staying off of cigarettes permanently after the treatment is ceased. Now a method has been developed which has an average success rate of 53%. Subjects inhale large amounts of warm, smoky air or warm, mentholated air delivered via special apparatus while engaging in rapid smoking at the same time. "Dragging on warm, smoky air does wonders for one's willpower." — (Human Behavior, pp. 53-54, August 1973)

and ministry among mountain folk in the '30's. Deep faith brought the family through poverty, illness, rejection, and discouragement to acceptance and finally the building of a church.

CONTRASTS by Dan Herr and Joel Wells, with photographs by Daniel Frasnay (Word, \$3.95) In this outstanding book of photographs, the words do not match the pictures. On the contrary, they stand in stark contrast with the pictures. The contrast makes the reader stop to think about the meaning of both words and pictures.

CALLED TO JOY by Ernest E. Mosley (Convention Press, 155 pp., \$1.25) A study course book especially designed for the pastor to help him in his ministry and leadership of the church. Practical suggestions on the development of a church program.

THE CALL — Autobiography of Oral Roberts (Revell, paper, 216 pp., \$1.25) A paperback reprint of the best seller life story of one of today's most widely known television preachers. Gives an insight to the things which made Oral Roberts the widely known witness that he is today.



A Woman's World Reaches Far

Beyond the Ironing Board

—Wilda Fancher—

A line from a poem caught my eye recently; then it latched onto my heart. Helen Lowrie Marshall wrote it, and it goes like this: A few brave ones down through the years— Have dared to dream past others' fears.

The remaining lines of the poem exclaim the virtue of dreamers not only dreaming but "leading a timid world by the hand."

There's probably not a greater dreamer in the world than I, but the darer in me is of little stature. The dreamer-me says, "Sure, you can." The darer-me jumps up with, "No, you can't," and the dreamer-me says, "O.K. I'm sure you're right. I won't try it."

If everybody else in the world had been no braver than I am, we'd still be traveling on square wheels. Round ones would go too fast.

Fear keeps us from immediately seeing the good in dreamers' schemes. Reckon how many people laughed at the daring results of the Wright brothers and their dreaming and said, "It's too dangerous. No good can come of it. It's a waste of time and money."

But the soldier with only a week-end pass who can fly home two thousand miles for Christmas sees the good; the couple halfway around the world whose child's life depends on medicine flown in by jet sees the good.

You know, a favorite sort of game of mine is trying to imagine how various mothers in history might have felt when their children were daring around. Probably the mother I would have been most upset to be was Mrs. Luther. I'm sure I would have had the hammer and nails from Martin and said, "Now, Son, you'll feel better in the morning. Nailing your theses to the cathedral door is really too much."

But look what Martin Luther did for freedom of religious thought.

If I had been Mrs. Wright, I probably would have yelled, "Don't, boys!" until the motor drowned my voice and the dust kicked up by the plan choked me.

I'm trying, though. Enjoying everyday results of so many dreamers and their daring. I appreciate the fact that the world needs dreamer-darers. When one of our boys voices a rather lofty ambition, I now encourage him instead of pointing out all the obstacles in the way.

Who knows what exciting and helpful things are still awaiting a dreamer-darer to accomplish them?

Who knows, too, how much the timidity of mothers may have already cost the world?

As a peace officer the church has no equal. Neglect the church and put on more policemen.—Holmes.

The kind of ancestors who have had is not as important as the kind of descendants our ancestors have.

Too many people think of religion as merely a last resort.

Keep your face toward the sunshine, and the shadows will fall behind you.

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LOOK UP BROTHER by W. A. Criswell (Broadman, pocket book, paper, 139 pp., \$3.95) Reprint of a book which first appeared several years ago in which Dr. Criswell shows what is right with the church and the Christian in today's world. Reveals the strength of the modern church and the hopes which can be found for its glorious future.

A FAST RIDE ON A SLOW MERRY-GO-ROUND by Bill Estes (Broadman, 64 pp.) A booklet written in modern prose style to help young people find God's will for their lives. Includes a six weeks Bible study program for those who are searching for God's will.

DEALING WITH THE DEVIL by C. S. Lovett (Personal Christianity, 160 pp., paper, \$1.95; cloth \$3.95).

In his own inimitable way C. S. Lovett presents the facts of the Bible teaching concerning the devil and his work and then shows how to deal with him. He discusses how Satan works, and how the Christian may set up an anti-Satan defense system. The book is easy to read and has numerous illustrations. A very valuable aid for Christians in this time of satanic activity.

B. C. — A DIGEST OF THE OLD TESTAMENT (Regal, 502 pp., paper, \$2.95).

A compilation of the major historical and prophetic material of the Old Testament as paraphrased in the Living Bible. While large segments of the Old Testament are omitted, the basic historical material is here. Evidently the purpose is to provide material which individuals who are "turned off" by the Bible will be willing to read.

TAKE THE STAND: A THEOLOGY OF WITNESSING by James E. Tull (Convention Press, 139 pp., paper)

A professor of theology at Southeastern Seminary writes a study course book on the biblical bases for Christian witness, a part of the SBC New Church Study Course.

MORMONISM (101 pp., \$1.75); **CHRISTIAN SCIENCE** (68 pp., \$1.25); **JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES** (147 pp., \$1.95); **SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS** (103 pp., \$1.75) all by Anthony Hoekema (Wm. B. Eerdmans, paper) These individual paperbacks were taken from Mr. Hoekema's reliable and useful source book of information on *The Four Major Cults*. The books have been updated and appendices added dealing with special points of doctrine.

CHURCH FAMILY LIFE CONFERENCE GUIDEBOOK by S. Astry Brown (Convention Press, paper, 49 pp.) A guide for assisting pastors, church leaders, and other interested individuals in planning and conducting a church family life conference.

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ROMANS: A LETTER TO NON-CONFORMISTS by Robert H. Baylis (InterVarsity Press, paper, 70 pp., \$1.25) Twenty-three studies for a discussion group, covering most of Paul's letter to the Romans.

MANY WITNESSES, ONE LORD by William Barclay (Baker, 128 pp., \$1.50) Reprint of a book first published about ten years ago. Compares the witness of different New Testament writers in their presentation of the Gospel of our Lord.

LIVING AND LOVING by A. N. Triton (InterVarsity Press, 95 pp., \$1.25) A discussion of the modern views on sex and marriage with an effort made to find God's view of the subject. Seeks to show the place that sex should have in the normal Christian life.

THEY MEET THE MASTER by Robert E. Coleman (Christian Outreach, 149 pp., paper, \$2.95) A study manual on the personal evangelism of Jesus presents actual materials for a study course in how Jesus dealt with people.

INSIDE THE WALL by Don Crawford (Tyndale, paper, 86 pp., \$1.25) First hand report on what has happened and is happening to Christianity in Red China.

GOODBYE WORLD by C. Leslie Miller (Regal, paper, 150 pp., \$1.25) A study of present world conditions in the light of what the Bible says prophetically concerning the last days and the return of the Lord.

RECYCLED FOR LIVING by Earl G. Lee (Regal, paper, 80 pp., \$1.25) Messages on Christian living asks the question "Are you really living or are you just spinning your wheels?" A positive declaration of a purposeful way of life.

TEACHING AND LEARNING WITH ADULTS IN SUNDAY SCHOOL by George F. Wood (Convention Press, 144 pp.) A study course book dealing with methods and plans for teaching adults in the Sunday School.

HOW TO WIN SOULS AND INFLUENCE PEOPLE FOR HEAVEN by George Godfrey (Baker, 160 pp., \$2.95) Another of the many available manuals on Christian witnessing, shows methods for witnessing, and the necessary tools. Deals with difficulties and excuses and shows clearly how to do visitation evangelism. A very helpful manual for those who want to be better soul winners.

GETTING ON TOP OF YOUR WORK by Brooks R. Faulkner (Convention Press, 156 pp.) A study course book prepared especially for the use of pastors. Shows how he can be God's leader and how to deal with the many problems which come before any pastor. Makes practical suggestions and positive proposals for an effective ministry.

HANDBOOK OF PREACHING RESOURCES FROM LITERATURE edited by James D. Robertson (Baker, 268 pp., paper, \$2.95) Quotations from the world's literature, classified under many subjects. The book is well indexed and certainly should be a very valuable source book for the busy preacher. Does not provide sermons, but does provide rich, illustrative material.

SIMPLE SERMONS FOR MODERN MAN by W. Herschel Ford (Zondervan, 120 pp., \$2.95) This is the latest in the long list of "Simple Sermon" books by Ford.

PREPARING TO REACH PEOPLE by James W. Chatham (Convention Press, 56 pp., paper) Using its Sunday School, any church can reach people. This book tells how church leaders can help churches prepare to reach people. It discusses organization and grouping, leadership and delegation, space and facilities, visitation and relationship.

ANOTHER LOOK AT TWO SPIRITS by Jay Pascal (Vantage, 296 pp., \$5.95) The author uses a pen name, but he is a Mississippian who has been away, and has now returned to the state. This is a novel, telling the story of a boy who grew up in Mississippi, seeing some of the problems of a small town, especially those brought about by liquor. The story then tells of his college experiences, training in medical school, internship, residency, etc. He faces atheism, skepticism, immorality, alcohol, drugs, profanity, dishonesty and many other problems of modern life. The book is frank and uses profanity and rough language, since it is portraying life as it is, when God is left out. One reads the pages with a bit of shock, finding it hard to admit that such conditions actually exist, even though he is aware that they really do. Not a book that will bring any joy or even pleasure in reading, but one that does point up the way of life of many "moderns." The whole story points up the need for a living faith in Jesus Christ in every life and every situation.

THE FAILURE AND THE HOPE by W. D. Campbell and James V. Holloway (Eerdmans, paper, 266 pp., \$3.95).

The subtitle is "Essays of Southern Churchmen." These writers are men who have dealt with the problem which they call "a struggle for racial justice." These are essays on that struggle and give a penetrating view of the thinking of men who do not feel that the South has moved far enough and fast enough in the matter of race relations. Many people who read this volume will not agree either with its interpretation of events or of its conclusions.

REFLECTIONS OF A FISHING PARSON by Jonathan C. Sams (Abingdon, \$2.95, 96 pp.) Mr. Sams (Chaplain in a home for boys) says simply and well what almost all fishermen have felt at one time or another—that God must have loved man a great deal to have given him a world full of fish and time to learn how to catch them. These reflections are fish stories with a thoughtful twist. They deal with fishing as an exercise of the soul as well as the body.

YOU CAN LIVE ABOVE YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES by Herman W. Gockel (Concordia, 80 pp., paper) This book comes to grips with the ever-changing circumstances that lift us up and pull us down. To achieve Paul's kind of victory, Dr. Gockel says you need only live under one circumstance: the love of Jesus Christ.

THESE WERE MY HILLS by Marie Walston (Judson Press, \$4.50, 128 pp.) The author vividly recalls the struggles and triumphs of her family (her father was a pastor) as they attempted to establish a life

DAILY STRENGTH FOR DAILY NEEDS by Mary W. Tileston (Keats Publishing Co., 377 pp., paper, \$1.25) Pocket book, paper edition of a devotional guide book has a devotional for every day of the year.

Sometimes I'm Speechless

By Theo Sommerkamp

Not that I have nothing to say, I do; and it's important. And I don't have laryngitis or stage fright. My courage is bold, my vocal chords in fine shape; but I can't be heard over the tumult of other voices which drown me out.

Once in a while I do get a chance to say something, uninterrupted; but the result is worse even than not getting a chance to speak. I'm told afterward — when I overhear the whispers in the hallways — "He's about the finest fellow we know. We don't question a second what he says is true, but we're too busy to bother with what he has in mind."

An invitation to "come back next year" is always courteous and seems to be cordial; but you can detect the insincerity, that it's just being diplomatic, tactful.

Yet people who need me are de-

pending on me to tell their story for them. And if I'm denied an attentive hearing or am rebuffed, what do I go back and tell —

—that young fellow whose home life has been disrupted and is counting on me to give him a Christian atmosphere at a children's home to grow up in?

—the mother of that teen-age girl who is desperately ill and requires extensive hospital care, but who hasn't the means to pay for more than a fraction of its cost?

—to the high school graduate who's been called to preach and needs help for college and seminary training?

—to the person who has never heard about Jesus, but who has a strange hungering in his heart which (though he doesn't know it) can be satisfied only by the Master? and only if some preacher or missionary has the chance to tell him?

At other times, and other places, I come back happy and excited. I have won the imagination of my listeners. More than that, their support. I have great ideas, big plans. . . .

I can free a pastor from the burden of a job in a department store that he must have in order to support his family. Now he can use that valuable time to visit prospects, unchurched.

I can fill up some of the slack in a growing foreign mission program where money is always scarcer than opportunities to proclaim the Word.

I can cut down the growing gap between population and converts caused by the population explosion. As I help more preachers and missionaries go forth, they will win more converts to Christ.

I can insure that Baptist colleges and schools can keep up quality Christian education despite the pressures of growing enrollment and skyrocketing operating costs.

I Am Cooperative Program

Who am I? It's not hard to guess that I am the Cooperative Program. And though I'm pretty lively, and what I do has much to do with people, I'm not a person at all.

Your voice is my voice. My very life and health depend on you. If you support me with your gifts and prayers, then tell others about me and encourage them to do the same. If sometimes I'm not heard, could it be that you haven't helped me out?

If you look at it this way, it's not just the child in the Baptist's children's home, the sick girl in the Baptist hospital, the ministerial student in the Baptist college, and the man out there longing for the gospel who need me.

You need me, too — even though you say, "I'm not homeless, or ill, or a student preacher; and I have accepted Christ."

It's precisely at this last part that you need me. As a Christian you want to help carry out the Great Commission. You recognize from the discourse of Jesus that "as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren" — such as the ones just mentioned — "you have done it unto me" (Matt. 25:40).

As your Cooperative Program, I can help you follow Christ's command, "unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8).

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Nutt To Be Featured At Student Conference

RIDGECREST, N. C. — GRADY NUTT, humorist-entertainer from Louisville, Ky., will be featured each night during the Student Conference at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, Ridgecrest, N. C., Aug. 21-27, 1973. A wide range of individual conferences of interest to college students will be offered in the conference, which is sponsored by National Student Ministries of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

Bethel (Copiah) To Have Homecoming

Homecoming day will be observed at Bethel Church, Route 1, Hazlehurst, August 26. Services at 11:00 a. m. with Rev. H. B. Speights, of Mt. Hermon, La., former pastor, delivering morning message. Dinner will be served at the church, followed by an afternoon service, with Rev. Levi Beasley of Shreveport, La. delivering devotional.

All former members, former pastors, relatives and friends of Bethel Church are encouraged to attend. Rev. Doug Warren is pastor.

New Book Store Managers Named

NASHVILLE (BP) — Book store managers have been named at two Southern Baptist theological seminaries, effective August 1, according to W. O. Thomason, book store division director, Southern Baptist Sunday School Board.

Glynn Mathis, currently manager of the Baptist Book Store at Southwest Baptist College, Bolivar, Mo., will manage the store at New Orleans (La.) Baptist Theological Seminary; while P. Wayne Power, May graduate of Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, will remain as manager of that seminary's book store.

Joe D. Roberts, five-year manager of the Book Store in Savannah, Ga., will become manager of the Lubbock, Tex., book store in mid-August. Roberts will fill the vacancy left by J. D. Dawson, who became manager of the newly opened book store in El Paso, Tex.

Year Of Evangelism

Providential Adventures In Christian Witnessing

The Potential of Casual Contacts for Christ

By R. Othel Feather

Recently my wife and I spent several weekends at the same motel while I was involved with a temporary church assignment. During this period we became fairly well acquainted with a Spanish waitress at the motel restaurant. She was from Panama, an excellent waitress, and most accommodating.

The waitress had three children who were attending the local Baptist church where I was serving. They had been discovered through the bus ministry and were actively participating in the Sunday morning teaching and worship services.

The limited time of our casual contacts while she was on duty was not very conducive to effective witnessing. However, our reference to a personal experience of salvation captured her interest. In response to this brief discussion she accepted a small scripture card, outlining the way of salvation, promising to study it carefully.

One week later when we returned she was disturbed because the card tract had been misplaced after she had read it only one time with her husband. I gave her another copy of the

tract and invited her to ride the church bus with her children the following Sunday morning, since she had indicated it would be her Sunday off at the restaurant. To our great surprise, she agreed and said she would try to get her husband to accompany her. I immediately contacted the bus captain for her route. He called expressing joy and reassuring her that she was welcome to ride the bus with her children.

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Don't Forget Plight Of Baptists In Russia, Jewish Unit Warns

WASHINGTON, D.C. (RNS)—The Fabrang Community, a Jewish group here, has suggested that American Jews concerned about freedom for Soviet Jews should also raise the question of Soviet treatment of Russian Baptists, "who also suffer religious oppression."

In its current newsletter, the organization listed six general questions for all American Jews to ask ourselves, which included one on non-Jews, worded as follows:

"Do we owe it to our Jewish sense of justice as well as good tactics to raise also the question of Soviet treatment of independent-minded writers; Baptists, who also suffer a religious oppression; Ukrainians, who also suffer national oppression; and workers who are denied the right to strike?"

"Can most Soviet Jews ever be really free if these others don't become free?" "Can we build a stronger coalition for freedom if we raise these questions too?"

It also posed this question: "While we are raising the issue of the freedom of Soviet Jews to live as Jews, what about the present state of the American Jewish community?"

"Is there any danger we ourselves will forget what it means to be Jews while we are supporting others who remember? What about more serious schools—religious and secular—for American Jews?"

"What about economic programs, health care, jobs, decent prices and rents for poor Jews in America—and middle-class Jews too, for that matter? Are these Jewish issues?"



Carey Has 'Reading Is Fun' Program

William Carey College is the scene during August of a "Reading Is Fun" program for area children, sponsored by the department of elementary education. 26 children are being challenged to read for sheer pleasure by 19 Carey students enrolled in a special elementary education course, taught by Mrs. Elma McWilliams. The "Reading Is Fun" program is in its third annual session and each year the interest has grown. From left to right are: Carey student Debbie McMahan, Frances Johnson, Lynn Horecky, Anne Fairley Jackson, Tanya Williamson, Kenneth Laird, Glenn Mangum and Carey student Brenda Rawls. The roof of the little house behind the children is being roofed with shingles made up of the names of books read by members of the program.

Parochial School Administrators Are Urged To Obey Law

OKLAHOMA CITY, Ok. (C-SNS) — Americans United's Director of Church Relations, Gioele Settembrini, on a speaking tour of Oklahoma, urged the nation's parochial school administrators to accept the June 25 Supreme Court decision forbidding government aid to parochial schools as the law of the land.

"The Court's ruling was unequivocal and final," Mr. Settembrini said. "There is now no way that government funds can be used to finance the activities of sectarian schools."

In an age which yearns for a return to the respect for law, church leaders have a special obligation to encourage veneration of the law. "The Supreme Court has categorically ruled unconstitutional any means or devices for transferring public funds to sectarian institutions," Mr. Settembrini declared. "If we do not obey the Constitution and respect the Supreme Court's interpretation of it, we become a lawless people," Settembrini charged. "It is un-Christian and un-American to force any citizen to pay for any religion, even his own," he stated.

Protestant Leaders Oppose Bid For A Louisiana Lottery

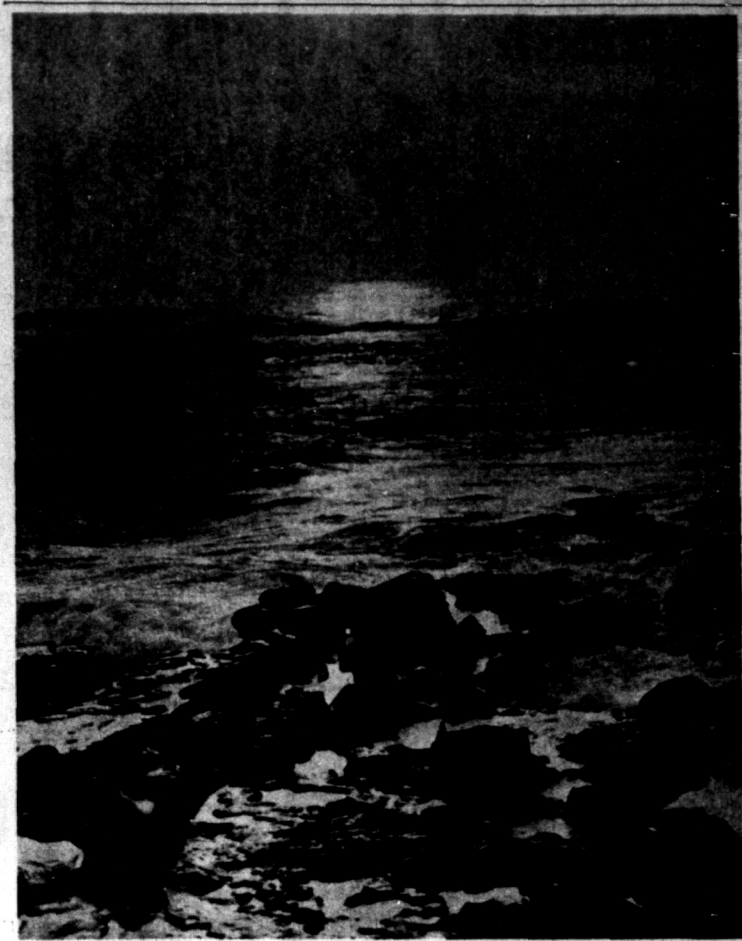
BATON ROUGE (RNS) — Although Gov. Edwin Edwards has said he will not push Louisiana into adopting a state-operated lottery plan, Protestant leaders have made clear their total opposition to such a method of raising revenue.

Spokesmen for four of Louisiana's largest denominations came out in recent days against the state lottery — Southern Baptists, Methodists, Presbyterians and Lutherans of the Missouri Synod.

The Greater New Orleans Federation of Churches, which represents some 130 churches in the state's largest metropolitan area, passed a resolution opposing lottery.

The Rev. W. Maynard Fountain, general presbyter of the Presbytery of Louisiana, Presbyterian Church, U. S., said he was "very much opposed to a lottery in that I feel it is prone to create corruption, and think that those who would participate in it are those who could least afford it."

The Rev. Richard W. Luebbert, a Southern Baptist pastor, said there is widespread opposition to a lottery among members of his denomination and that moral issues are involved in any promotion of lottery by government.



Sun And Surf —RNS Photo by John Greensmith

Baptist Editor Leading Drive Against 'Liquor-By-The-Drink'

RALEIGH, N. C. (RNS) — A veteran leader of dry forces in North Carolina said church groups are organizing to defeat a proposal to legalize the sale of liquor by the drink. The issue will be voted on in a statewide referendum Nov. 6 and "we're not prepared to concede a single county to the wets," he said.

Marse Grant, editor of The Biblical Recorder, official publication of the Baptist State Convention, said he doesn't "believe the wets can get their campaign off the ground."

"We're already organized in a little more than 60 counties," and that organizations will be completed in each of the state's 100 counties.

The editor is working closely with the Rev. Coy Privette of Kannapolis, president of the N. C. Christian Action League, an interdenominational group. "We've got a network of more than 10,000 churches in the state and over three-fourths of them are affiliated with the Christian Action League," Mr. Grant said.

"We're hoping to raise about \$250,000 — or \$2,500 per county. . . . We hope to have between 500 and 1,000 outdoor billboards to carry our message."

Earlier, he wrote an editorial in The Recorder in which he stated "there are strong arguments for the business community not to take the lead in promoting liquor-by-the-drink."

"Money spent on liquor is that much less spent on automobiles, clothes, furniture, food, appliances, etc.," Mr. Grant said in the editorial. "Conscientious businessmen will remember that more than 60 per cent of the money spent on whisky goes outside North Carolina. Few other products run this high. Few other products, in fact, none that we know of, leave such a heavy load for the community to bear."

Creative Communications Clinic

Broadmoor Baptist Church
Jackson, Mississippi
August 23-24, 1973
Registration - 9:30 a.m.

Rev. James Pleitz
First Baptist Church
Pensacola, Florida

George Fletcher
Baptist Sunday School Board
Nashville, Tennessee

TV, Sound Systems, SLIDES, Displays

DRAMA, RADIO, FILMSTRIPS, SERMONS, CHILDRENS', COMMUNICATION, IDEAS, TRENDS, MUSIC, SANCTUARY DESIGNS, RECREATION, Blueprints, Inspiration, Architecture

Rev. Bobby Perry
First Baptist Church
Moss Point, Miss.

Ragan Courtney
Second Baptist Church
Little Rock, Arkansas

GENERAL INFORMATION

Total cost of Clinic will be \$15.00 (This includes two noon meals and materials), plus motel and other meals.

Target group includes pastors, music directors, youth directors, educational directors, architects, dramatists, and church properties committees.

Blueprints and other materials will be on display.

This event is sponsored by the Church Music Department, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. Mail in registration immediately.

Baptist Leaders In Europe Discuss Evangelism Barriers

By Charles Warren
RIDGECREST, N. C. (BP)—Nine prominent Europe Baptist leaders said in an interview here that evangelism faces unique barriers in their countries.

The men spoke at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center here during a three-week visit to the States.

Traveling under sponsorship of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, they came to study Southern



Helps Paint At Carey

William Carey College master of music degree candidate, Mike Von Kanel, helps above in painting the inside of Lawrence Hall in preparation for the moving of all administrative offices out of Tatum Court into Lawrence Hall. A Pascagoula native, Von Kanel is the first of three brothers to enroll at Carey in the church music program. Randy Von Kanel is a junior while Dannie Von Kanel enters August 26 as a freshmen. All have come from the Eastlawn Baptist Church of Pascagoula and are sons of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Von Kanel. Mike, above, is serving as minister of music at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Hattiesburg while finishing up his master's degree in church music.

Baptist evangelistic methods and participate in a Home Mission Board-sponsored Witness Involvement Now (WIN) personal evangelism school in Atlanta.

The men expressed a need among European Baptists for better methodology and training in personal evangelism and told of the unique problems which Baptists face in Europe.

Theo Van Der Laan, executive secretary of the Baptist Union of the Netherlands, said, "The major barrier hindering the gospel in the Netherlands is the polarization among Christians.

"In every denominational group you can find extreme liberalism and also conservative fundamentalism. Christians waste time debating among themselves and accomplish nothing," he said.

"The lack of strong evangelistic outreach in our churches stems from fear within the church, not from the resistance from without," said Gunter Weiske, secretary for evangelism for the Baptist Union of Norway and chairman of the European Baptist Federation's evangelism committee.

"Due to lack of training, these hindrances from within are more decisive than those outside the church."

Jose Goncalves, president of the Baptist Convention of Portugal, agreed with Weiske. "Often our own church people see only the difficulties in personal witnessing," he said. "When they try they succeed, but they rarely try."

Another problem shared by most of the European Baptist leaders is that Baptists are often overshadowed by the state church. "The state church, with its privileges, has created an inferiority complex for Baptists," said Weiske.

"Baptist teachers in Finland," said Sam Hogberg, secretary of evangelism for the Swedish-speaking Baptist Union of Finland, "aren't allowed to teach religion, but an atheist can if he has his name registered in the state church."

"We are a minority in a Lutheran country," said Niels Bjerg, pastor of Norresundby Baptist Church in Denmark. "The state church has the economic support of the government and many other privileges. People feel sorry for you if you're a Baptist."

"David Lagergren, executive secretary of the Baptist Union of Sweden, reported, "There's a major movement to do away with the state

church system in Sweden. If this happens it will be a major advance for Swedish Baptists."

A new trend of turning to Christ by their youth was noted by Andrew MacRae, executive secretary of the Baptist Union of Scotland; Joachim Zeiger, secretary of home missions of the German Baptist Union and Lagergren.

Several of the men spoke of the influence of the American "Jesus Movement" on European youth.

"There is something of an awakening among young people in Denmark," said Bjerg. "They are evangelistic. They are aware of the need of God's leadership in their lives."

"Evangelism among young people has been freer and less inhibited than among adults. They have felt the influence of the 'Jesus Movement' in America," added Stanley W. Hall, pastor of Dureham Baptist Church, Norfolk, England.

In spite of the difficulties in Europe, the Baptist leaders spoke of the opportunities and challenges they have.

"You in America think of Europe as a mission field," said MacRae, "and rightly so. But it's a mission field of a very special kind. Europe has had the gospel many times and in many ways, but it needs it afresh."

"There is a post-Christian culture in Europe in which people think they've grown up beyond Christianity," he explained. "There is also an anti-Christian culture in which Christians can't worship openly. The Baptist witness is growing in the anti-Christian culture."

Zeiger, encouraged by breakthroughs he's seen in Germany, said, "Recent home missions conferences in Germany, attended by laymen and pastors, gave us new hope for our mission work and evangelistic efforts. We are seeing the results of years of effort."

Concerning the challenge of Europe, Hogberg said, "Finland is the only country on the Russian border that still enjoys religious freedom. This is a major challenge and opportunity."

Zeiger, summing up the feelings of the European delegation about what they hope to gain from their visit in America, said, "Our Baptists need training in personal evangelism. We need a simple, effective method of witnessing. We've heard lots of theories, but we want something practical."

An Influential Individual

Every alcoholic adversely affects the lives of four other people.

Bill Barnes has been called by the Morrison Heights Baptist Church in Clinton to serve as their minister of music and youth effective August 15.



Mr. Barnes is a native of Georgia and graduated from Georgia State University. From there he went to Southwestern Baptist Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, where he recently received his Master of Church Music degree. While in Fort Worth he served as minister of music and youth at the Diamond Hill Baptist Church.

He is married to Sarah Perkle, formerly of Atlanta, Georgia. In Clinton they will be living at 720 Tanglewood Drive. Rev. Charles Gentry is pastor.

Miss Lillie Bell Campbell of Drew, Miss., half-sister of emeritus missionary Miss Edythe Montroy, died July 25. Miss Montroy, a native of Drew, was a teacher in the public schools of Aberdeen and Picaune, Miss., and at a theological seminary in New Orleans, La., before she was appointed by the Foreign Mission Board in 1946 as a missionary to Nigeria. She retired due to a medical disability in 1971.

Rev. & Mrs. William D. Moseley, missionaries, may be addressed at Caixa 303, Alegrete, R.G. do Sul, Brazil. She is the former Barbara Cooke of Crowder, Miss.

Rev. & Mrs. Glendon D. Grober, missionaries who have completed furlough in the States, were scheduled to depart July 25 for Brazil (address: Caixa Postal 1043, 66000 Belem Para, Brazil). He was born in Vicksburg.

Rev. and Mrs. Robert A. Hollifield, missionaries, may be addressed at Via Antelao 2, 00141, Rome, Italy. Both are Mississippians.

Names In The News

Dr. Ruth R. Berrey, missionary associate to Nigeria from 1963 until 1968, died of a heart attack July 23, at Albany, Ga. She was 66. A funeral service was held July 25 at Clayton Baptist Church, Clayton, Ala. While in Nigeria, Dr. Berrey traveled to bush villages where she set up well-baby clinics. With the Baptist Health Service, Ogbomoso, as her base, she examined about 200 Nigerian babies each day. She and her husband, the late Dr. Ivan C. Berrey, practiced medicine in Birmingham, Ala., prior to his death in 1957. She was pediatrics consultant for the Jefferson County Health Department and he was a surgeon at the Montclair Baptist Hospital there.

Rev. & Mrs. Thomas O. Barron, missionaries who have completed furlough in the States, were scheduled to depart July 19 for Indonesia (address: Box 46, Bukittinggi, Sumbar, Indonesia). Mrs. Barron is the former Hazel Clark of Richton.

Rev. Mannon Wallace, pastor of Hamilton Church, Hamilton, Montana, preached at the evening service, August 5, at First Church, Yazoo City.

Dr. James W. Cox, professor of Christian preaching at Southern Seminary, Louisville, has begun in the current issue of "The New Pulpit Digest" a continuing feature titled "Pastor's Study" which will include on an issue by issue basis discussion and commentary on preaching and related topics. "The New Pulpit Digest," now in its 37th year of publication is edited by Rev. Charles L. Wallis, a Baptist minister at Keuka College, Keuka Park, N. Y., and is published in Jackson, Miss., by Walter Dell Davis, an attorney and United Methodist layman.

Dr. Gerald D. Lee, assistant professor of business and economics at Mississippi College, is one of 40 college and university professors from throughout the country currently attending a special seminar at the University of Chicago. Dr. Lee is participating in



a program for teachers of economics entitled "Recent Developments in Applied Economics." It is being offered by the graduate school of business at the university under a special grant from the General Electric Foundation. The special seminar runs through August 31.

The purpose of the program is to provide an opportunity for the 40 selected faculty members to examine important recent developments in the areas of price theory, econometrics, and monetary policy.

Rev. Allen Stephens, pastor of Bay Vista in Biloxi, has been selected to appear in the 1973 edition of Outstanding Young Men of America.



He has been pastor in Biloxi for 3½ years. His former pastorate is Braxton (Simpson) and Rock Hill (Rankin). He is a native of Pearl and married to the former Omega Tullis also of Pearl. They have two daughters: Shanda Lynn, 4 and Ashlee Brooke, 15 months.

Miss Reba C. Stewart, emeritus missionary, died of cancer July 27 in a hospital in Atlanta. The funeral service was held at First Church, Jonesboro, Ga., on July 29, her 88th birthday, with burial in that city. Miss Stewart did evangelistic and educational work in China and Manchuria for 32 years before retiring in 1951. She spent a year of that period in an internment camp in Japan.

Spilman Auditorium Formally Dedicated At Ridgecrest

RIDGECREST, N. C. — Dedication services for B. W. Spilman Auditorium were held Monday, July 30, 1973, at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, Ridgecrest, N. C.

Family, friends, Sunday School Board leaders and guests attending Sunday School Leadership Week gathered to dedicate the newly remodeled auditorium to B. W. Spilman, native of North Carolina and founder of Ridgecrest Conference Center.

James L. Sullivan, president of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, and A. V. Washburn, secretary of the Sunday School department, delivered the principal addresses. Bob M. Boyd, director of the conference center division of the Sunday School Board was master of ceremonies.

Washburn noted that Spilman was known as the Sunday School Man because of his pioneer work in that field.

Spilman highlighted the concept of training Bible teachers "as he embodied the truth of the Word of God and as he sought to share it with men, women, boys and girls," Washburn observed.

"That is why these walls have been raised and re-raised," Washburn concluded, "that thousands of men and women have come together year after year for inspiration, for encourage-

ment, for instruction and for the ability to go back and do a better job in their churches of opening the Word of Truth, the Word of Life."

Sullivan's comments recalled when David, King of Israel, wanted to build a tremendous temple in honor of God because of his love for Him. He pointed out that David envisioned the temple long before work began.

"First there must be a vision," Sullivan told the people.

"Mighty buildings always begin in the hearts of men," he continued, "someone has to pay the price of a vision."

"As you study the life of B. W. Spilman, I doubt there has been a man of greater vision in the history of Baptists than he," Sullivan said.

Senate In Hearings On 7 'Prayer' Bills

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—Public hearings on the seven "prayer amendments" which have been proposed in the Senate in this session began on July 27.

The hearings, conducted by the Senate Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments, will be held in the Dirksen Office Building. (The late Sen. Everett Dirksen (R-Ill.) was one of the Senate's strongest proponents of prayer in public schools).

In addition to the seven prayer amendment resolutions in the Senate, 23 have been introduced in the House of Representatives since January. To date, no hearings have been scheduled by the House Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Constitutional Rights of the House Judiciary Committee, to which the resolutions were referred.

First, Byram Votes Building Program

The First Baptist Church of Byram voted unanimously on August 5 to undertake a \$181,000 alternation and building addition to its present facilities. The church authorized Harold C. Brumfield, the architect, to extend contracts for general construction, plumbing, heating, air - conditioning and electrical construction.

It is anticipated that construction will begin as soon as possible, probably sometime within the next two to four weeks. Time of completion is estimated at six months.

The new addition will include all new church offices, a library room, four nursery rooms, nine Sunday School rooms and a fellowship and dining hall with a seating capacity of 300.

The church is located in south Jackson on Old Byram Road and currently has a membership of 424 members.

Rev. Orvel E. Hooker is the pastor.

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The Undisciplined Person

By Clifton J. Allen
PROVERBS 23: 19-21, 29-35;
1 Corinthians 10: 6-13, 31;
Galatians 5: 13-24

God has given laws to guide man's living. For a period of weeks we have considered the Ten Commandments, also other laws, in the light of New Testament teaching. In the last two lessons of this three-month study we are to consider the breakdown in life resulting from undisciplined living, a danger we all face, and how Christians can deal redemptively with persons suffering the fearful consequences of undisciplined living. One of the chief areas of difficulty and need is the use of beverage alcohol. But this is only one area. Drug addiction is another, with perhaps more frightening potential for the destruction of persons and the spreading of crime. Uncontrolled appetite, uncontrolled and illegitimate expression of sex, and the dissipation of strength through either idleness or excessive work take a disastrous toll in the lives of undisciplined persons.

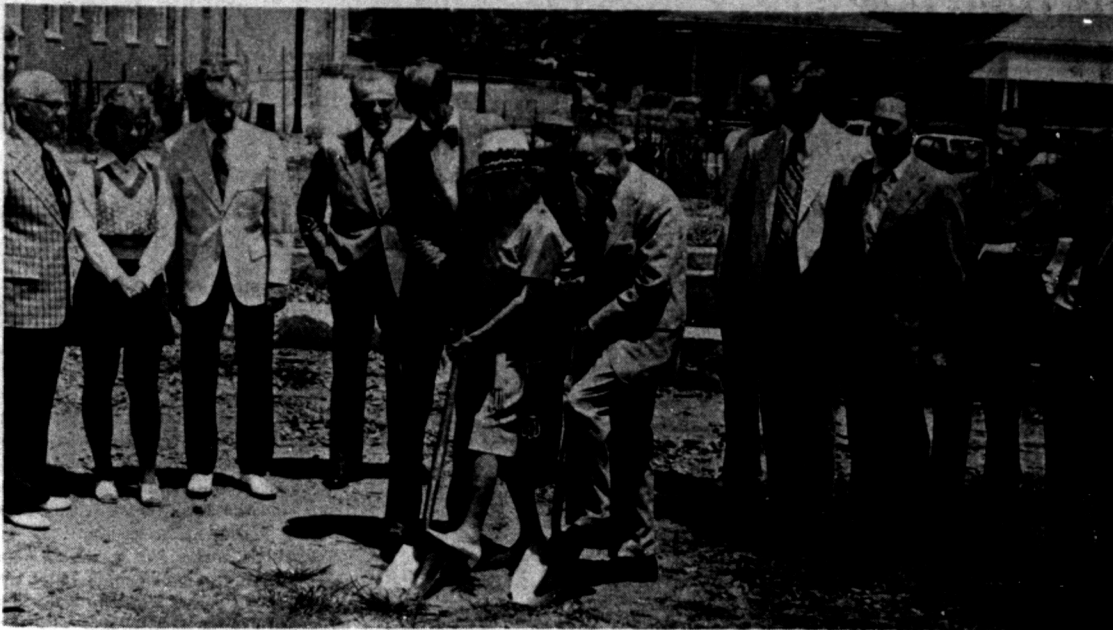
The Lesson Explained
Danger In Wine
Proverbs 23:19-21, 29-35
 The verses here under consideration focus on the danger of drinking wine, but gluttony is associated with it. Wine always has the potential for producing an alcoholic. The habit of strong drink, gluttonous eating, and the drowsiness or incompetence resulting from both tend certainly to

poverty. Whatever kind of beverage alcohol one may indulge in — wine or beer or whiskey — any person may become an alcoholic. And to greater or lesser degree his life will be marked by woe, sorrow, strife, complaining, wounds without cause, and redness of eyes. This is just a typical description of the anguish of spirit, involvement in strife, physical incapacity, mental stupidity, disgusting conduct, or bitter remorse for one's folly. "At the last" ought to be remembered first. The end result of beverage alcohol is like being bitten by a poisonous snake. At the last one will have a mixed-up mind, full of all sorts of hallucinations or fears or passions. He will have an incompetent mind, making him irresponsible for important work, unsafe in driving an automobile, and insensitive to moral distinctions of right and wrong. To give oneself to wine or strong drink is as foolish as one lying down in the midst of the sea or a sailor trying to sleep on the top deck during a storm. So senseless is the person given to strong drink that he is insensitive to mistreatment or pain — he is just out of his mind — but even more senseless in craving for another drink.

Danger in an Undisciplined Life
 There are causes behind addiction to alcohol and behind undisciplined actions in other areas. A person may feel threatened by competition; he may have fears resulting from sickness or failure; he may be discouraged by some calamity or shocking sorrow; he may be unable to adjust to radical changes affecting his life or the depersonalization and secularism in society; he may have been

poisoned in his outlook on life by his family situation or by some overpowering temptation to immorality or greed. Undisciplined living may result from an uncontrolled appetite as well as from lust. An undisciplined life impairs health and morals. It impairs wholesome friendships and competence in one's trade or profession. It impairs satisfying family relationships and the fulfillment of one's duty as a member of the family; and worst of all, it affects one's devotion to God and one's qualifications for the service of Christ.

Deliverance From Temptation
1 Corinthians 10:12-13
 First of all, let no one feel secure in and of himself. One is foolish to think that, though others fall victims to intemperate appetite or sex perversion or strong drink or ventures with drugs or laziness or overwork, he himself will escape subtle temptation at the point where he is weakest. The person who thinks he is too strong to fall is almost certain to fall. Deliverance from temptation is always easiest in the earliest stages, and much easier than after a person has played with the imaginations and practices and pleasures of sin. The next truth in these two verses is the inspiring promise that God's help is available to overcome temptation. Whatever one's temptation may be, it has been experienced by others. But no person is tempted beyond his capacity to endure the temptation and to resist it with the help of the Lord. We are expected, however, to expend our moral strength to the limit, putting our hope of victory in the strength of the Lord.



First, Vicksburg Breaks Ground For Activities Building
 Pictured left to right at the groundbreaking service for the new \$365,000 activities building of First Church, Vicksburg are Freeman DeBoe, Pat Stroud, John Strange, W. T. Walker, Rusty Griffin, minister of activities, Mrs. J. C. Grenoe, wife of former pastor, Dr. John McCall, pastor, Max Carroll, O. W. Mendrop, Gerald Hasselman, David Haworth, Durwood Tadlock, and Herman Hossfeld. The projected completion date for the new building is June 1, 1974.

WIN Methods Aid Filipinos

MANILA, Philippines — Pressing toward a goal to establish 3,000 churches by 1982, laymen here are participating in Witness Involvement Now (WIN) schools and home Bible study groups.

A WIN school (an evangelism program which teaches laymen to express their faith effectively) at Clark Field Baptist Church in Angeles City enrolled 77 people and had an average attendance of 72. WIN participants led 24 Angeles City residents to a commitment to Christ.

A woman told missionary John D. Floyd that she had always wanted to witness and finally learned how at the school. Another woman told him that she was frightened when approaching her first prospect, but couldn't wait to find another person to talk with.

Another WIN program during the summer institute at the Philippine Baptist Theological Seminary resulted in more than 100 professions of faith as students visited church prospects in Baguio.

Laymen will also teach a five-month home Bible study program to non-Christians. Missionaries plan to establish more than 1,000 such groups during 1976, with each church sponsoring three.

One innovation will be frequent church visits by laymen to promote the ministry of the church. Man who needs God has a soul and a body. He has a heart and a home. Many men need someone to speak for social justice.

Organ Given To Rock Hill Church

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin B. Kersh of Rock Hill Community, Route Two Brandon have just recently given a Hammond organ to the Rock Hill Baptist Church, and it was used for first time last Sunday. Rev. W. J. Murry is pastor.

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Isaiah: Spokesman For Social Righteousness

Isaiah 5-6
 By Bill Duncan

The name Isaiah has been identified with prophecy concerning the future of Judah and the world. He is quoted over 190 times in the New Testament. Most of the time people acknowledge the book of Isaiah to be the greatest of the prophetic books of the Old Testament. It is an expression of Israelite faith at its best. The prophet of the exile set forth the idea of a Suffering Servant. The few historical sketches let us know that Isaiah was a towering figure of his day. "Isaiah was not only an author of ability, a historian of note and a statesman of competence; he was a poet of rare gift." Most of all, Isaiah was God's servant. As a spokesman for God he was a mighty preacher with power and enduring influence.

Isaiah was concerned with mankind's total needs. The evidence of rebellion against God was seen in man's social injustice toward his fellowman. Therefore, Isaiah was a spokesman for social righteousness. His message applies to our day with clarity. Isaiah set forth the simple formula that sin brings judgment and he had to convince the people that God's judgment knows no barriers. The social sins of Judah were the result of human sin.

A PARABLE IN SONG
Isaiah 5:1-7
 The heart of Isaiah's message of

social righteousness is set forth in a parable in poetic form. A loved one's labor in establishing a vineyard is used to express God's question: "What else could I have done for you?" The vineyard had an ideal location with the best effort of labor put forth with expectation of a good yield. The vineyard was protected by a fence and a tower from which a watchful eye would give protection. The loved one even prepared a winepress because the best of wines had been planted. Yet when the harvest came the fruit was bad, even sour.

What went wrong? The owner had done everything possible. The audience was in complete agreement of sympathy with the owner. Then comes the verdict of judgment. "I will tear down the fences and let the vineyard go to pasture to be trampled on by cattle and sheep." Why such drastic action? "I have told you the story of God's people." God has dealt with his children, Abraham's seed; through centuries in love and judgment, punishment along with restoration, but to no avail. The actions of sinful men had provoked the righteous anger of the Lord.

THE WOES OF SOCIAL INJUSTICE
Isaiah 5:8-23
 Isaiah pronounces judgment against the evil actions of the people that were as sour fruit to the Lord. Man can discern right from wrong and choose the right if he will. They were well aware of the corruptions of many but would not do anything about it. Man's will had become so corrupt that his conscience was dead.

1. Woe against Land Monopoly.
 The prophet spoke against land monopoly which diminished its product-

ivity by making it idle. When the motive of the landgrabber is greed, it is a denial of responsibility for one's fellowman. A person may have the right of private property, but he should acknowledge the stewardship of resources.

2. Woe against Dissolute Living.
 The prophet spoke against the persons whose chief desire is to live trapped by a desire to drink alcohol, entertain, and seek pleasure in everything. This kind of carousing kills moral and spiritual sensitivity.

3. Woe against Defiant Iniquity.
 The prophet spoke against those who make an open mockery of sin. They cover up their crimes with lies. They take the initiative in sin without temptation. They have moved from human to animal level.

4. Woe against Moral Relativism.
 The prophet spoke against deliberate reversing of God's moral decrees which leads to total moral blindness. This is the sin of our day against the Holy Spirit.

5. Woe against Arrogant Conceit.
 The prophet spoke against their conceit which forbid their asking God or man for help. When a person of self-reliance comes to the point of need and wants help, he must be willing to admit his fault.

6. Woe against the Perversion of Justice.
 The prophet spoke against judges who allow the lure of mixed drinks to cloud his judgment and become easy prey to bribes and injustice to innocent men.

THE CALL TO SPEAK
Isaiah 6
 The prophet was in the temple wor-

shipping God when the conviction of sin came and the call to service. The conviction of sin pertains to his lips, speech. The call was, "Whom shall I send as a messenger to my people?" The prophet said he would go. "Lord I'll go! Send me."

People are debating the issue of social service versus evangelism. Some have exalted service and neglected worship. Some have tried to worship and win souls and ignore the society that produced them. "Worship" will lead us to speak out against the sins of society. Man must speak if he has any conviction at all. It is fire in the bones.

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Devotional

"Now That's Life"

Phil. 1:21

By Barry Landrum, Pastor, First Church, Greenville

What if everything that could be taken from you were taken away? Suppose you were stripped of all the things our society is grabbing hold of and trying to hold on to these days. If this were to happen, would there be any meaning left in life?



A man said to his pastor, "I have everything a man could wish for—a prestigious job, a lovely home with all the extras, several automobiles, and social status. Yes, I have everything a man could wish for except the ability to wish for anything." It's an exact description of our age—an age characterized by boredom. Bored people are empty people with nothing worth while for which to live. Take from them all that can be taken away and they have nothing, absolutely nothing!

E. Stanley Jones toured many of our college and university campuses several years back and reported, "Today's youth are the most talented, capable, and well trained generation to ever inhabit the earth. But the tragedy of all tragedies is they have no purpose in life." Trained for what? Educated for what?

Peter stood up at Pentecost and said, "Save yourselves from this untoward generation." An "untoward generation" is one that isn't going toward anything. They are like the merry-go-round which goes up and down and 'round and 'round but never "toward" anything.

Paul looked back on his pre-Christian experience as a time when he possessed all that our world offers. He had prestige, power, education, morality, and great influence. He lists his credentials in Philippians 3:4-6. But when he compared these things to his new life in Christ he called them garbage, rot, stinking decomposition." (Phil. 3:8).

Later in life Paul was in prison. The possibility of execution was hanging heavy over his head. His missionary hopes were all gone. He could no longer build churches, preach sermons, or write theology. Yet he could say, "This is life!" Paul's sense of being alive was due to his permanent state of mind. Paul was a Christian. He loved Christ with all his being! It was Christ alone who gave him a sense of real life. Thus, when everything was taken from Paul that could be taken, when he was stripped of all comforts, conveniences, and many necessities, Paul was still very much alive. Christ gave meaning to his life even in a prison cell.

As Christians you and I can say with Paul, "For to me to live is Christ." (Phil. 1:21) Now that's really living.



Rayborns Given Trip To Mexico City

Mr. and Mrs. Dallas Rayborn left recently on a trip to Mexico City sponsored by the choir of First Church, of Glendale in appreciation of the couple's service to the church. For the past two and a half years, Rayborn has served as music director and Mrs. Rayborn as organist. Prior to this he had served the church at various times. The Rayborns have organized four choirs and a girls' ensemble at Glendale. Their trip featured a tour of Mexico City, a visit to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, a view of the ancient pyramids and temples and a visit to the Pyramid of the Sun. Dr. Don H. Stewart is interim pastor at Glendale.

Senior Adult Conference Planned For Ridgecrest

RIDGECREST, N. C. — Ridgecrest Chautauqua for senior adults will be October 15 - 19, 1973, at Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, Ridgecrest, N. C.

All senior adults and senior adult leaders are welcome to attend the second annual conference for fellowship, entertainment and personal training.

Individual conferences will be offered mornings and evenings while afternoons will be free for nature hikes, tours or handicrafts. Also, conference leaders will be available afternoons for consultation with senior adults and leaders to help develop leadership skills.

Some of the individual conferences offered during the week include "Take a Look at Yourself," "Your Creativity," "Your Health," "Your Family," "Your Recreation" and "Your Money."

Last Rites Held For Mrs. A. C. Furr

Mrs. A. C. Furr, 84, Columbus, died July 23 at Lowndes General Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the First Baptist Church with Dr. S. R. Woodson officiating, assisted by Rev. K. Z. Stevens and Rev. W. M. Daves. Burial was at Friendship Cemetery.

Mrs. Furr was a member of the First Baptist Church. She was a native of Hazlehurst and had lived here approximately 30 years.

Survivors include her husband, Rev. A. C. Furr of Columbus; two sons, Carl Furr of Pensacola, Fla. and Billy Furr of Columbus; three daughters, Mrs. C. A. Barge of Macon, Mrs. I. D. Stacy of Aliceville and Mrs. C. E. Clar of San Rafael, Calif.; two brothers, Benton King of Brookhaven and Arthur King of Aberdeen, La.; two sisters, Mrs. Ola Hall of Gena, La. and Mrs. L. B. Mayse of Hattiesburg; and 10 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren.

Active pallbearers were Herman Crowder, Noel Summerall, Merle Graham, Billy Frates, J. C. Mauldin and Wilbur Pearson.

Honorary pallbearers were members of the Darracca Sunday School Class and Dr. S. B. Platt's Sunday School Class.

Conference leaders include Charles Maples, retired pastor from Gatlinburg, Tenn.; Agnes Pylant, retiree of the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board; James Williams, professor of adult education at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth; and Adelle Carlson, consultant in adult work, church training department of the Sunday School Board, director of the conference.

"The Ageless Wonders," a group of 40 senior adults from Lynchburg, Va., will provide entertainment for the conference. Special events include a senior adult talent hour and the "Harvest Banquet," a special breakfast on the last morning to end the conference.

Cost for the conference is \$40 per person with two to a room and \$50 per person for a private room. Cost includes registration, insurance, room, meals and conference fees.

To register send \$10 to Ken McAnear, Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, Ridgecrest, N. C., 28770. The registration fee is part of the total cost.

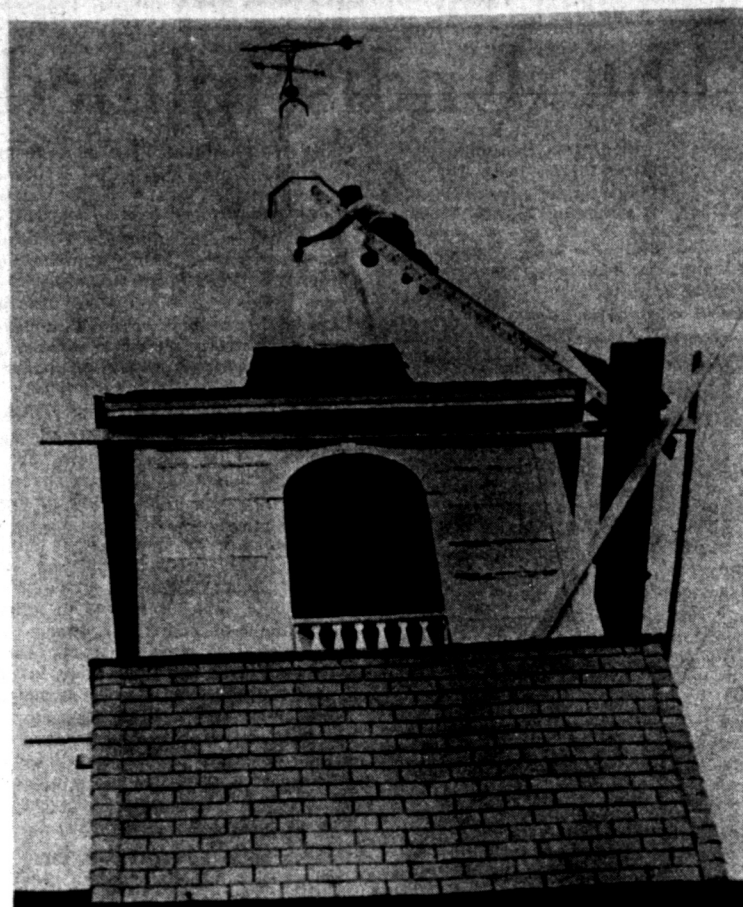
Ridgecrest Baptist Conference Center, located 18 miles east of Asheville, N. C., is a year-round religious retreat owned and operated by the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

Missionary Hosts Baptists In Jerusalem

JERUSALEM, Israel — Interpreting Baptist work in Israel to the thousands of Baptist tourists who visit the Holy Land each year is the assignment of Mr. and Mrs. G. Wayne Buck, recently appointed missionary associates of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. Buck fills the newly created post of chaplain to Baptist Tourists.

The Bucks work with the Baptist Book Store and serve as hosts to Baptists in Jerusalem. More than 40,000 Baptists are reported to have visited the Holy Land city in 1972, and Baptist visits to Israel are increasing 10 percent annually.

Buck also conducts a Sunday morning worship service in English for visitors.



Painting Pastor

EAST LIMINGTON, Maine — The East Limington Baptist church didn't raise enough money to hire a contractor to paint and repair its church steeple, so the Rev. David Knickerbocker, a visiting evangelist, offered to do the work. With the help of his three sons, he did the job for about one-third of a contractor's cost. Mr. Knickerbocker, who lives in Sabona, N.Y., didn't seem to mind the 80-foot high job. He said this is the third steeple he's painted when church funds wouldn't stretch.—(RNS Photo)

A Baptist Clergyman's New Ministry: Calls Home By Missing Teenagers

LONDON (RNS)—A Baptist minister here is launching a round-the-clock phone-a-message service to help Britain's 100,000 missing teenagers and their parents.

Under his program teenagers who have run away from home will be able to phone a message to a special number. The message will be recorded and passed on to the parents, provided the phoning youngster gives an address.

The man behind the plan is the Rev. Roger Hayden, minister of Haven Green Baptist church at Ealing, West London. He plans to call the service "Alive and Well."

The program has come about as a result of a family heartbreak a year ago when Mary, 14-year-old foster child of Mr. and Mrs. Hayden for ten years, ran away without leaving a message.

For six months Mr. Hayden, his wife, Edwina, and their three children were tortured with worry, not even knowing whether Mary was alive. Said Mr. Hayden, "we contacted the police, thinking Mary was the only teenager missing. We found to our surprise that there were thousands of missing kids."

Revival Dates

Wahalak Church (Kemper): Aug. 19-24; Rev. Reuben (Lucky) Teague, Elkmont, Ala., evangelist; Charlie Cade, Shuqualak, song leader; Sunday services 11:00 a.m., dinner on the ground; during the week, 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Ronnie W. Bullard, pastor.

Dockery Church, west of Ruleville on Highway 8: Aug. 19-24; Rev. Paul Blanchard, pastor, Niland Chapel Church, Alligator, evangelist; Russell Willington, 19th Avenue Church, Hattiesburg, singer; services 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Boyce Boyles, pastor.

Osyka: August 19-24; Sunday services at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; dinner on the ground after Sunday morning service; services each week day at 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Rev. Glen Schilling, evangelist; Rev. Don Brown, in charge of the music; Rev. Drew D. Blanton, pastor.

Victory (Jeff Davis): August 19-24; Rev. L. S. Thornburg, pastor in Manhattan, Okla., evangelist; Jim Hanaford, music director at Prentiss, singer; Rev. James Lee Bailey, pastor; services Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. with dinner on the grounds at noon and singing at 6 p.m.; services during week at 7:30 p.m.

First, Glendale: August 19-24; Sunday services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.; weekday services at 7:15 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Tom Hall, pastor, First, Purvis, evangelist; Dallas Rayborn, church music director, in charge of music; August 26 homecoming with dinner on the ground; Rev. Warren Wall, former pastor and presently chaplain at Avon Park Correctional Institution, Avon Park, Florida, speaker; Dr. Don H. Stewart, interim pastor.

Wade Church To Have Revival, Four Honors For Pastor

Wade Baptist Church will begin revival on Sunday August 19-24, with Homecoming and roll call on Sunday. The pastor, Rev. J. F. Parker will be the speaker. Wayne Parker will be in charge of the music.

Lunch will be served at the church with special afternoon services to celebrate the Pastor's 65th birthday, 42nd wedding anniversary, 30th year in the ministry and 8th anniversary as pastor of Wade Church.

Members from former pastorates of Mr. Parker, as well as former members of Wade Baptist Church are invited to attend.

Bethany, Bay Springs: August 19-24; homecoming and dinner on the grounds August 19 with services at 11 a.m., dinner on the grounds, and noteburning at 2 p.m. with Rev. J. C. Lampkin, former pastor, conducting the service; Tommy Anderson evangelist; services during week at 7 p.m.; Rev. Steve Pouncey, pastor.

North Columbia Church: Aug. 19-26; Evangelist Jimmy Gandy of Mobile, Alabama, preaching; "dinner on the ground" August 19; services daily at 6 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; James Smith, singer; Rev. M. H. Waitmon, pastor.

First, Collinsville: August 19-24; Rev. Bob Barker, Jr., evangelist; E. T. Roberts, singer; Mrs. Eloise Pigford, organist; Melita Beeman, pianist; services 10:45 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Rolling Creek, Quitman (Clarke): August 19-24; Rev. James Fancher, Jackson, evangelist; Arlis Nichols, music and youth director of Rolling Creek, song director; services on Sunday, August 19 at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Monday through Friday at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. John Edwards, pastor.

If you're about to write to an archbishop, an admiral or a member of a Catholic brotherhood and you don't know how to address him, here's good news. The Handbook of Style in the New Collegiate lists nearly a hundred forms of address, for everyone from an abbot to a veterinarian. In writing to an archbishop, for instance, it would be "Your Excellency" or "Dear Archbishop Smith." An admiral would be "Sir" or "Dear Admiral Smith," and a Catholic brother would be "Dear Brother James."

REVIVAL RESULTS

Pocahontas (Hinds): July 22-27; Rev. Burney Whitfield, Silel, La., evangelist; Phil Pearson, minister of music at Pocahontas, singer; 14 professions of faith; over 60 rededications; Rev. Davis Ramsey, pastor.

Shiloh (Lawrence): July 22-29. Rev. Harry McGuffee, Evangelist. A total of 55 professions of faith; 47 baptized; two more professions of faith and two additions by letter on the Sunday after the close of the meeting; many rededications of life; Rev. James E. Powell, pastor.

Missoula Church Goes Western

The term, "electric evangelism," has been a frequent idea heard around the Trinity Church, Missoula, Montana. In March of this year, Pastor Bill Phillips began a weekly television program, "Open Doors," on TelePrompster Cable TV. The program features a message by the pastor and at least two numbers by the church choir. In addition to the thirty-minute program, the station features a message wheel upon which the station airs the pastor's Chaplain-On-Call card every fifteen minutes, from 6 p.m. until 11 a.m. as a public service. Chaplain-On-Call is a ministry that Phillips has developed in fifteen of Missoula's motels.

The latest innovation came recently as Phillips was asked to appear in a Western movie to be made in the Missoula area this fall. He will appear as an early Western circuit-riding preacher and will preach a portion of a sermon in the film. The Trinity Church choir will also appear and sing a new arrangement of the old gospel song, "Amazing Grace." The film theme is life among the 7th Virginia Volunteers during the Civil War as they retreated West to raise cattle, and to remain relatively uninvolved in the War. Members of Trinity will be asked to help construct a brush arbor, complete with saw-dust trails, for the scene of the revival preached by Phillips.

During the week of July 30, Phillips reported the news on Cable TV, Channel 9, while Program Director, Les Benefiel (who will also be in the film), was in the hospital with a back injury. Members of the Missoula TelePrompster staff, as well as Frank Crosby of KYSS Radio, will be on duty to the extent possible to keep the program on the air and the television ministry, the Trinity Baptist Church is becoming well known in Missoula as an involved church that cares for people. Attendance during the summer months has continued to remain at a high level.

Attorney Petitions Court For Re-Hearing On School Aid

Harrisburg, Pa. (RNS) — A Harrisburg attorney who unsuccessfully argued for the Pennsylvania school aid law at the Supreme Court hearing is petitioning the Court for a re-hearing.

William B. Ball, who represented a group of 12 parents of non-public school pupils, said rehearings were rarely granted, but that he hoped the Court might want to clear up "areas of confusion" he said its opinion had created.

In their decision in Lemon v. Sloan, delivered June 25, the Supreme Court justices ruled 6 to 3 that the Pennsylvania law providing tuition reimbursement for parents of non-public school children violated the establishment clause of the Constitution.

Mr. Ball took particular exception to arguments by Supreme Court justices that allowing school aid would lead to divisive political controversy related to religious belief and practice.

He said that instead of eliminating controversy the Court's decision would "reap its own certain and explosive reaction."



Pastor and Mrs. Bray

Glenfield, New Albany Calls New Pastor

Rev. Lathon Bray has accepted the call as pastor of Glenfield Church, New Albany, after being pastor of First Church, Michie, Tennessee for over nine years.

While he was pastor at Michie, the church built a new pastorial, added 4,554 square feet to the building, and paved the grounds around the church building.

Mr. Bray is a graduate of Clarke College, Blue Mountain College, and has done extension work through Blue Mountain College.

Founders' Day To Be Held At Mid-America Seminary

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. — Three leaders in Southern Baptist work will be featured speakers at Founders' Days of Mid-America Baptist Theological Seminary here August 20-22. Registration for the regular term of study at the Seminary will be held August 20.

Appearing on the program will be Dr. Robert G. Lee of Memphis, who served three terms as president of the Southern Baptist Convention; Dr. C. E. Autrey, former director of evangelism for the Home Mission Board and a former faculty member of New Orleans and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminaries, and Dr. Adrian Rogers, pastor of Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis.

Dr. Rogers will speak twice during the three-day meeting, on Tuesday night and Wednesday during the morning session. Dr. Lee's appearance will be Tuesday night. A feature of the Monday evening program will be Dr. Autrey's address.

In addition, faculty members will appear on the three-day program including Dr. B. Gray Allison, Dr. Philip Allison, Dr. Roy Beaman, and Dr. Jimmy Millikin.

During the Founders' Days activities members of the Seminary Advisory Board and members of the Board of Trustees will meet and will visit the site of the school's permanent campus at Maunelle New Town. Currently the Seminary is using facilities of Olivet Baptist Church on West Markham Street.

Dr. B. Gray Allison, president of the Seminary, said that indications point to greatly increased enrollment for the fall term. Initial enrollment totaled 28, with a total of 71 taking courses during the first year.

The Seminary hopes to be able to start construction of the first unit of its permanent home in the near future, Dr. Allison said.

Major emphasis at the school is on practical evangelism and missions. "We are grateful," Dr. Allison said, "that most of our students have found places of service as staff members in Arkansas churches. Many are serving as pastors."

Homecoming Set For Eastlawn, Pascagoula

Eastlawn Church of Pascagoula will observe Homecoming August 26. Rev. W. T. Carlson, former Pastor will be the featured speaker during the morning worship service. After lunch there will be singing, testimonies and a Gospel message brought by Rev. Athens McNeil, also a former Pastor.

All former members and friends are invited to attend. W. A. Wimbs is pastor.

Runnelstown To Honor Deacon Of Fifty Years

First Church of Runnelstown will honor H. C. Shoemaker who has been a deacon of the church for 50 years on Sunday, Aug. 19. Activities of the day will be morning service at 11:00, afternoon service at 1:30 and dinner on the ground.

Sharing the honors with Mr. Shoemaker will be Mack B. Hensarling of Natchez, and Oren Carpenter of Moss Point who was ordained as deacons at the same service as Mr. Shoemaker. Everyone is invited. Rev. Herman McAlpin is pastor.

VAKPO, Ghana — In conjunction with the Baptist Communications Center in Accra, the Botoku Baptist Church has been established here as the first Baptist church in the Volta Region of Ghana.

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